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Police and protesters reached a violent climax here on Wednesday, as armored riot officers beat back demonstrators and fired volleys of tear gas into the crowds who had gathered outside Parliament. Inside, lawmakers approved a package of austerity measures aimed at helping Greece avoid a default. On the second day of a



Protesters clash with riot in front of the Greek Parliament in central Athens Wednesday, June 29, 2011. Greek deputies are to vote Wednesday on a deeply unpopular austerity bill that has provoked days of rioting in the streets of Athens, with the result of the vote determining if Greece can avoid a potentially disastrous financial default in the coming weeks.

(AP Photo/Petros Giannakouris)

two-day general strike called by unions, rogue protesters also attacked the Finance Ministry on Syntagma Square across from Parliament and set fire to a post office in the ground floor of the building. The King George Palace, a luxury hotel that faces the square, was evacuated in the afternoon.

A police spokeswoman said that 31 police officers were injured, and that 30 people had been detained, leading to 11 arrests.

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# Debt and taxes



*Obama: Tax increases must be part of deficit plan*

President Barack Obama holds his first full news conference in almost three months in the East Room at the White House in Washington on June 29, 2011. Obama took questions from reporters on a variety of topics including the economy, the terrorist attack in Afghanistan and the nearing deadline to raise America's debt ceiling.  
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# Obama: Tax increases must be part of deficit plan

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**WASHINGTON** — President Barack Obama pressured Republicans on Wednesday to accept higher taxes as part of any plan to pare down the federal deficit, telling lawmakers that they “need to do their job” and strike a deal before the United States risks defaulting on its debt.

Declaring that an agreement is not possible without painful steps on both sides, Obama said his party had already accepted the need for substantial spending cuts in programs it had long championed, and that Republicans must agree to end tax breaks for oil and gas companies, hedge funds and other corporate interests. In a 67-minute news conference, Obama cast the budget battle as a tug of war between the interests of the rich — like owners of corporate jets, who he said get generous tax breaks — and those of the middle class, the elderly

and children.

Directly challenging Republican leaders, Obama said that “everybody else has been willing to move off their maximalist position — they need to do the same.”

At the same time, Obama, under assault from Republicans on the campaign trail for an unemployment rate

that remains above 9 percent, asked voters to understand that the economic recovery would take time but said that Washington, even in its current financial straits, could still do more to help. He expressed support for extending a reduction in payroll taxes for an extra year, providing loans for road and bridge-build-

ing and approving trade pacts that could help spur exports.

While the president expressed hope for a budget deal before the government's borrowing authority expires in early August, he scolded Republican lawmakers for putting off hard decisions until the 11th hour, saying that his daughters did not procrastinate that way with their schoolwork.

“Malia and Sasha generally finish their homework a day ahead of time,” the president said, in a tone of rising exasperation. “They don't wait until the night before. They're not pulling all-nighters.”

House Speaker John A. Boehner rejected Obama's call for new tax revenues, saying the “president's remarks ignore legislative and economic reality.”

In a toughly worded statement, Boehner said the House would vote to raise the debt limit, as the White House has demanded, only if it agreed to a deal that

contained deep spending cuts and no tax increases.

“The American people know tax hikes destroy jobs,” Boehner said. “They also know Washington has been on a spending binge for many years, and they will only tolerate a debt-limit increase if we stop it.”

Obama's news conference, his first extended exchange with reporters since March, also touched on Libya, on which he offered a brisk defense of his decision not to seek congressional authorization for the NATO-led air campaign, and on same-sex marriage, which he stopped just short of endorsing as a legal right. But the president's combative remarks on the budget commanded most of the attention, signaling that he had fully entered the fray. On Monday, he took over stalled talks led by Vice President Joe Biden, meeting with Senate Republicans and Democrats, and Wednesday afternoon he met with the Democrats. □



Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.) speaks to reporters in response to President Barack Obama's comments on the budget, on Capitol Hill in Washington, June 29, 2011. McConnell said that if Obama wants to call for tax hikes that it leads to fewer jobs, and that Obama can't have tax hikes and job creation together.

(Stephen Crowley/The New York Times)

# Violent clashes in the streets of Athens

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Local news media reported that dozens of protesters were hospitalized, and video clips showed the police striking people with their batons. Amnesty International released a statement on Wednesday condemning the “repeated use of excessive force by police in recent demonstrations, including the disproportionate and indiscriminate use of tear gas and other chemicals against largely peaceful protesters.”

The day began noisily but peacefully, as thousands of demonstrators gathered in front of Parliament, shouting “thieves” and “traitors” at the politicians deliberating the unpopular measures. But as the day went on, some young people, many masked and clad in black, began hurling rocks, broken furniture and fire-bombs at police officers, many of whom scooped up the rocks and hurled them back.

Although dramatic, the

street violence was a side-show from the broader drama unfolding in Greece today: the slow suffocation of the middle class. That brought the vast majority of the protesters — old and

have hope,” said Eliseos Fitros, 49, who said he had worked in the tourism trade and was not unemployed. “I have two kids in university. What is their future? I'm worried that in two or three

above 16 percent here — and more than 30 percent for those under 29.

“I'm new to these kinds of protests,” said Theodore Katris, a student in European culture, as he stood

he said he felt compelled to demonstrate. “I'm 22 years old. I have nothing, I have no future,” he said.

“My grandparents had to move to America to survive, and I think that because of these policies, my generation will have to, too,” Katris said. In another sign of the fury at lawmakers, protesters hurled bottles and a chair at Thomas Robopoulos, a Socialist member of Parliament who had a police escort. After first saying he would oppose the austerity measures, Robopoulos ultimately voted in favor on Wednesday.

Late into the evening, tear gas and black smoke wafted over the center of this dense city, its off-white walls plastered with graffiti. Earlier, the police and protesters had skirmished on shopping streets.

Some demonstrators were forced to retreat into a nearby Metro station, where volunteer doctors also treated those who had been overcome by tear gas or been beaten by the police. □



A protester prepares to hit riot police with a stick during clashes at Syntagma square, central Athens, Wednesday, June 29, 2011. Greece approved more austerity measures needed to avert default next month, in a vote Wednesday that calmed markets but triggered a second day of riots that left dozens injured and the capital blanketed with tear gas.

(AP Photo/Petros Giannakouris)

young — out into the streets this week.

“I'm here because I don't

months the economy will collapse.”

Unemployment has soared

downtown with a surgical mask on his chin to protect him from the tear gas. But

# A decade and counting of publicly mourning 9/11

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HILLIARD, Ohio (AP) — Carla Gilkerson, a 54-year-old school bus driver, sits at a table with friends at Abner's diner on Main Street in this small Ohio town. She's never been to New York City and doesn't know a soul who died on Sept. 11, 2001 — but talk of the terror attacks a decade ago immediately moves her to tears. Step outside of Abner's and there, across the road at Main and Center Streets, is one of the largest Sept. 11 memorials outside the attack sites; a granite monument etched with all the victims' names, surrounded by four giant pieces of World Trade Center steel.

Gilkerson often walks and bikes past the memorial, stopping to run her finger over the names. "I feel like I knew them," she said. "And that I can keep their memory alive." A decade of public mourning for the nearly 3,000 people killed in America's worst terror attack hasn't abated; in fact, it thrives in this country, from the steel memorial parks to the fake Statue of Liberty outside a Las Vegas casino to a tiny chapel by ground zero. The attacks have spawned a ritual of extravagant public mourning that hasn't waned; even Americans who didn't lose a loved one on Sept. 11 are still grieving as if they had.

Gilkerson says it best: "I think we'll always mourn our losses from that day." Experts in grief say the out-sized sorrow for "our losses" is Americans' way of processing the most devastating public event of their lifetimes, which they need to do before they can begin to let go. "This," says Michael Katovich, a Texas sociology professor who teaches on death and dying, "is a process of solidifying our memories."

They're still grieving in Hilliard, a suburb of the state capital of Columbus, and an eight hour's drive from New York City. None of its 28,000 residents died on Sept. 11, yet the people who live in the new subdivisions and work in the small

brick buildings that line the downtown still mourned. Mayor Don Schonhardt was one of the mourners, and he went to New York to ask authorities there for trade center steel for the city's memorial.

"We felt it was important to be a community in middle America that would say to the U.S. and the world, that we do remember what happened that day," Schonhardt said.

ow boxes, which are lighted at night. The hundreds of other items are archived and stored at the University of Nevada Las Vegas. In a city of excess and fantasy, the memorial — which is across the street from the MGM Grand casino and its golden Lion statue and from Excalibur, a medieval-themed gambling hall — is a sober reminder of reality, and visitors stop and peer into the shadow boxes

signed by "Cathy" on June 18 reads, "Almost ten years and I still can keep back the tears when I visit any of the three memorials or watch a TV show about 9/11. So truly, we never forget."

Psychologists and sociologists who study grief and public mourning say that most of us — at least for those who didn't lose a loved one in the attacks — are still processing the pain, which will dwindle

a whole culture of people. People are really struggling with that."

Gilkerson and her friends don't want to stop. They say if we do, we'll forget what happened and the sacrifices made by first responders and soldiers who fought in the wars the attacks wrought.

Brad Fetty, a 34-year-old firefighter-in-training and a bus driver with Gilkerson, said that his city's memorial



**The Manhattan skyline and 1 WTC, center, are shown with the Brooklyn Bridge, Monday, June 27, 2011 in New York. The tower, formerly known as the Freedom Tower, has reached the 68th floor and will top out at 104 floors. September will mark the tenth anniversary of the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001.**

(AP Photo/Mark Lennihan)

The memorial fills a city block in the center of town with its two pieces of rusted track from the subway that ran underneath the World Trade Center, and two other large hunks of twisted metal from the towers themselves. Las Vegas has a permanent memorial at the fake Statue of Liberty outside the New York, New York-Hotel Casino. There's a rotating exhibit of items that were left at the casino in the days after the attacks. Recently, about a dozen Fire Department and police T-shirts from around the U.S. were on display in the shad-

while walking from one casino to the next.

The small western Pennsylvania town of Shanksville is touched like no other by the attacks; it's believed to have been an attack site by accident, but one whose residents had little connection to the 40 people who perished aboard the hijacked jetliner that crashed at more than 500 mph (800 kph) into the lush, green landscape. A \$60 million memorial is being built in the field. Inside a temporary visitor center, people write messages on slips of paper. A message

with each successive generation. "It's part of our defense mechanism to distance ourselves," said Katovich, a professor at Texas Christian University. Carla Ross, an expert on grief and forgiveness from Raleigh, North Carolina, said many Americans are still actively mourning 9/11. "There's two things that make it really complicated for people," said Ross, a communication professor at Meredith College. "People don't know who to forgive. They don't know how to let it go. And instead of grieving and letting go, we're blaming

conjures up complicated emotions and questions about that day. While looking at the twisted and rusted steel beams, he said he wonders, "What am I looking at? Was there blood, were there tears, actually on this piece of metal?"

Ross thinks that societies that have experienced large tragedies never really stop grieving, but that the mourning becomes softer, less edgy. "Usually when people get to the end of the grieving process, they start making sense of things, how it's impacted their lives for the positive," she said. □

# Obama moves near 'greater equality' on gay marriage

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WASHINGTON

— After months of saying his position on same-sex marriage is "evolving," President Barack Obama traded that language Wednesday for comments that stopped just short of endorsing the notion that gay people have the right to marry.

But if his personal evolution is complete, Obama, who has previously opposed same-sex marriage, is not saying so. "I think what you're seeing is a profound recognition on the part of the American people that gays and lesbians and transgender persons are our brothers, our sisters, our children, our cousins, our friends, our co-workers, and that they've got to be treated like every other American," Obama said at a news conference. "And I think that principle will win out." The president went on: "I think we're moving in a direction of greater equality and — and I think that's a good thing."

Obama used those same words — "a good thing" — to describe the debate in New York that led to last week's passage of a law making same-sex marriage legal there.

But when asked if he personally supported such marriages, the president demurred.

"I'm not going to make news on that today," he said.

Obama, who was to hold a Gay Pride reception at the White House on Wednesday evening, has been under pressure from gay rights advocates to clarify

tion. On Wednesday, reaction to the news conference was mixed.

Some faulted the president for remaining "in the closet," as The Christian Science Monitor said. Richard Socarides, a former adviser to President Bill Clin-



**President Barack Obama speaks at a Gay Pride reception in the East Room of the White House in Washington, June 29, 2011. After months of saying his position on same-sex marriage is "evolving," Obama on Wednesday traded that language for comments that stopped just short of endorsing the notion that gay people have the right to marry.**

(Doug Mills/The New York Times)

his position in the wake of the vote in Albany, N.Y., and his own comments at a New York fundraiser last week, in which he suggested the marriage question should be left to the states. The remarks infuriated even some close allies, who suggested that Obama, a former constitutional law professor and the child of an interracial marriage, was invoking arguments once used to defend segrega-

tion on gay rights, found it significant that Obama dropped the "evolving" construct and said he sensed Obama's "evolution is complete — only the announcement awaits." But Obama himself made clear there would be no announcements.

"I think this has been asked and answered," he told Laura Meckler of The Wall Street Journal when she pressed him for a second

time to state his personal views.

"I'll keep on giving you the

same answer until I give you a different one, all right?" □

## Report says water quality at Texas beaches has worsened

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Water quality at Texas beaches has worsened over the last year, according to an annual report released Wednesday. Texas had 704 incidents of closed beaches or posted advisories last year because of bacteria levels that exceeded the state's limits — more than three times as many as in 2009, the Natural Resources Defense Council found. A high bacteria count in the water at beaches increases swimmers' chances of getting ear infections, skin rashes and stomach illnesses.

"It's a big concern," said Luke Metzger, director of the group Environment Texas, which released the national report in the state. "People shouldn't have to worry about getting sick from swimming in the water."

Texas ranked No. 17 among the 30 states for water quality in the survey, which is in its 21st year.

The report gave four of five stars for water quality to two of the state's most popular beaches, South Padre Island and Port Aransas. But chronically dirty beaches in and around Corpus Christi helped drag down the state's overall ranking.

The report attributed nearly half of the state's beach closings and advisories to Corpus Christi and surrounding Nueces County. Bacteria levels at Ropes Park and Cole Park exceeded state standards 33 and 29 percent of the time they were tested, respectively.

Meanwhile, Galveston County beachgoers for the most part enjoyed better conditions over the past year. The county had 18 beaches, including Appfel Park and Stewart Beach, where water quality improved or remained the same from 2009.

The Texas General Land Office, which manages the state's coastline, attributed Galveston's improvement to below-average rainfall last year. That matters because the more it rains, the more polluted runoff from cities pours into coastal waters.

Metzger said one key to reducing polluted runoff is new "green infrastructure," such as porous pavement that allows rainwater to seep into the ground rather than drain into sewers. □

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# Have a radical time in Berkeley, California

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**BERKELEY, California (AP)** —

For a one-time hotbed of protest, this liberal college town is pretty chill these days. You're more likely to hear rumblings about the latest in the food revolution than people power.

But you can still have a radically good time here, whether you're interested in searching out the hidden gems of the tree-studded campus of the University of California or getting a glimpse of the city's tie-dyed past.

Getting to Berkeley from



**This photo shows street signs for Telegraph Avenue in Berkeley, Calif. For a one-time hotbed of protest, this liberal college town is pretty chill these days. You're more likely to hear rumblings about the latest in the food revolution than people power.**

(AP Photo/Eric Risberg)

San Francisco is fairly simple. By car you drive east across the Bay Bridge and continue on I-80 east. Take the exit for University Avenue which dead-ends at the west side of campus.

On the way, detail-oriented fans of the classic movie "The Graduate" may realize that in addition to his many other problems, Dustin Hoffman was driving the wrong way when he appeared to zip along the bridge's upper deck to Berkeley. The upper deck is one-way westbound into San Francisco.

Don't have a car, or don't

want to hassle with Berkeley's scarce parking? Take the Richmond BART commuter train to the Downtown Berkeley stop, just a block from the west side of campus.

Here are a few highlights of what to do next:

**CAMPUS CRAWL:** The central UC Berkeley campus, covering 178 acres (72 hectares), is open to the public and is a subject worth studying. Don't stop at Telegraph Avenue or Sproul Plaza. Walk on in and experience the sylvan setting and interesting architecture.

Free campus tours are available with a reservation; an elevator ride up the iconic Campanile, a 300-foot (91.4-meter) bell and clock tower, costs \$2. The observation platform, 200 feet (61 meters) up, gives a great view on a clear day. Want to dine like a dean? The public can lunch in the Faculty Club white-tablecloth dining room set in the center of campus. The draw here is not so much the fare as the academic ambience — and the chance to tune into some intellectually stimulating discussions.

Coffee's a big part of campus life and the Free Speech Movement Cafe at Moffitt Library serves up a little counterculture with your caffeine with exhibits focused on a famous 1964 protest that helped usher in an era of college uprisings. If you've got kids in tow, the life-sized cast of a T Rex in the Valley Life Sciences Building is worth a look.

**TELEGRAPH TRIP:** From Sproul Plaza head for Telegraph Avenue and check out the sidewalk vendors selling tie-dyed apparel, hand-made jewelry and T-shirts, posters and pins emblazoned with ideological statements that range from the profound to the profane. Step into Amoeba Music (2455 Telegraph Ave.) to check out the eclectic musical selection, or browse Moe's Books (2476 Telegraph Ave.), a local institution stocked with everything from antiquarian treasures to gently used best-sellers. □

## For Illinois, Blagojevich is only the latest to fall

**MONICA DAVEY**

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**CHICAGO** — After jurors this week convicted Rod R. Blagojevich, the former governor of Illinois, of trying to sell his appointment of a replacement in the U.S. Senate for President Barack Obama, they were asked what they had come to think of politicians in their home state.

Not much, apparently. Connie Wilson, the jury forewoman and a former church employee from the suburbs, said she had warned her husband against pursuing politics. But she also said she thought the verdict in the case — 17 convictions on federal felonies that could send Blagojevich to prison for years — would send a loud and clear warning to anyone else out there playing the same games. And law enforcement officials here voiced optimism that Wilson is right.

"Perhaps the long national embarrassment for the state of Illinois over the last two and a half years has finally come to an end," said Robert Grant, the FBI special agent in charge in Chicago.

But this state's embarrassments are actually rooted deeper. For more than a century, political corruption has touched even the lowest government post here, Democrats and Republicans alike. By one university's count, 1,000 pub-



**Former Illinois Gov. George Ryan in Chicago. Ryan is serving more than six years in federal prison for putting taxpayers' money toward campaign work. Former Gov. Rod Blagojevich, who was convicted this week, is the fourth Illinois governor in recent memory to face prison.**

(Kenneth Dickerman/The New York Times)

lic officials and businessmen have been convicted of public corruption since 1970. So, even as Blagojevich (the fourth Illinois governor in recent memory to face prison) awaited his sentence, some here — including leaders of the deluge of reform efforts that had followed his arrest in late 2008 — say that, in the end, they are not convinced Blagojevich's conviction will drastically change the pattern of corruption for which politicians in this state have become notorious.

"I don't think you can indict your way to reform," said Patrick M. Collins, a former federal prosecutor who was appointed by the current

governor to lead an Illinois Reform Commission soon after Blagojevich's career began to unravel. "There still is a structural ethics deficit in Illinois that won't be cured by indictment or legislation.

Ultimately, the long-term solution for Illinois is a more engaged public who steps up and demands better government before the next scandal develops."

Loud and clear warnings, it seems, had come before. And been ignored. Consider this: Even as Blagojevich, a Democrat, was using expletives to tell advisers just how "golden" his opportunity to pick a new senator was, his predecessor, former Gov. George Ryan,

was already sitting in a prison cell. Ryan, a Republican, is serving more than six years in a federal prison for putting taxpayers' money toward campaign work and handing out contracts and leases to friends in exchange for gifts.

"Nothing's changed," said Pat Brady, the chairman of the state Republican Party, which holds minorities in the legislature and in statewide offices including the governor's office.

"With all due respect to these jurors, we heard the same thing about sending a message after George Ryan's trial. But the essential things are still the same — the people who control this state are still in place." □

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## We call it brown: they call it `weekend in the country`

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**CHICAGO** – If you heard the words “Tempest,” “Turbulence” and “Tornado Watch,” you might head for the basement – fast.

Paint manufacturers want you to head for the living room.

In a redoubled effort to capture consumers’ attention in this sputtering economic recovery, some paint companies are hoping to distinguish their brands with names that tell a story, summon a memory or evoke an emotion – even a dark one – as long as they result in a sale.

What they do not do is reveal the color.

“For a long time we had to connect the color name with the general color reference,” said Sue Kim, the color trend and forecast specialist for the Valspar paint company. “But now,” she added, “we’re exploring color names that are a representation of your lifestyle.”

Thus, Valspar, which once featured Apricot 1 (all the way up to Apricot 6), now offers Weekend in the Country, a name that might put you in mind of an idyllic getaway or a Stephen Sondheim tune but that will not convey a specific hue. (For the record, it is the color of mud – perhaps not such a great weekend after all.)

Sherwin-Williams offers Synergy. From Ace Paint comes Hey There! Benjamin Moore has Old World Romance, all names that give new meaning to the term colorblind.

“Color names are marketing tools, meaning they

help sell paint,” said Lyne Castonguay, merchandising vice president for paint at The Home Depot.

and consumers face higher paint prices because of the rising costs of raw materials. “Emotional color names in

neutral shades and color combos are crucial for successful home sales,” Castonguay said, citing as

examples Home Depot’s Behr Collection’s names like “Quietude,” “Rejuvenate” and “Cozy Cottage.” Pete Appezato, 36, who works in sales, was surveying the staggering number of paint chips at a Home Depot in New York City the other day. Many, he thought, are “just weird,” but he was not impervious to the appeal of names.

He first bought Creme Brulee, a Martha Stewart color, because he liked the sound. But after trying it in his kitchen, he was not happy, and he painted over the room.

After his fourth try, he settled on colors that sounded decidedly upscale: Prestige for the walls and, for inside the cabinets, Polished Leather. He found that Polished Leather actually looked polished, and said happily that it reminded him of a leather bag he once owned.

In pursuit of emotional connections, some paint companies have swept aside even basic rules, including the one that said to avoid negative connotations.

Martha Stewart offers Darkening Sky and Tempest. Benjamin Moore has Stormy Sky. Pantone has Turbulence and Tornado.

“These names might be disturbing to some,” said Lee Eiseman, executive director of Pantone. “But these are things that exist in nature.”

And then there is Dead Salmon, a taupe-like color from Farrow & Ball, the English paint company. Sarah Cole, the company’s marketing director, explained that the word “dead” in Britain means matte. □

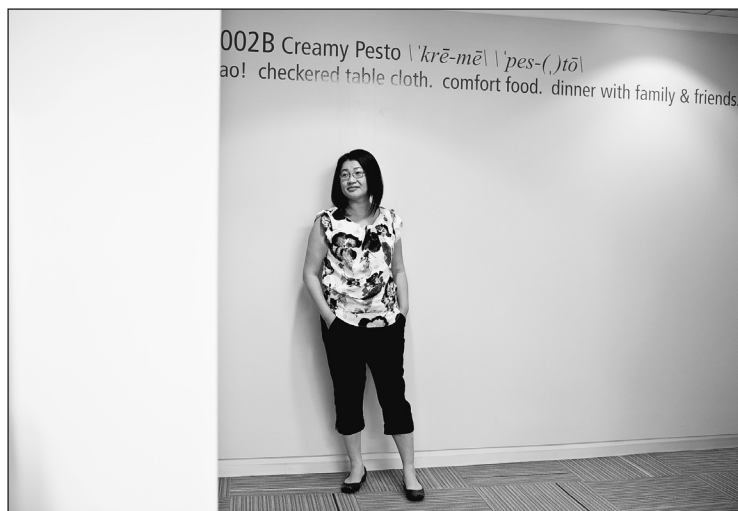


**Pete Appezato, who thinks the names of paints are “just weird,” and purchased a Creme Brulee color because he liked the sound, but did not like it and painted over it, at his home in New York. In an effort to capture consumers’ attention in the sputtering economic recovery, paint companies are distinguishing their brands with names that tell a story, summon a memory or evoke an emotion with names like Weekend in the Country or Harvard for their colors.**

(Ozier Muhammad/The New York Times)

With home sales depressed, there is new urgency to that mission. The fortunes of interior paints (“architectural coatings,” in industry lingo) are tied to the housing market. Paint sales tumbled when the housing bubble burst, and while they edged up 6.7 percent last year over the previous year, they have not rebounded to the peak level of more than \$9 billion in 2007.

Even with a fresh coat of creativity – like fanciful names – sales could slow again, as more housing remains stalled in foreclosure, new construction sags



**Sue Kim, color trend and forecast specialist for Valspar, in the paint company’s offices in Chicago. In an effort to capture consumers’ attention in the sputtering economic recovery, paint companies are distinguishing their brands with names that tell a story, summon a memory or evoke an emotion with names like Weekend in the Country or Harvard for their colors.**

(Peter Hoffman/The New York Times)



In this photo, 23-year old American student Amanda Knox, center, escorted by penitentiary guards, arrives for the appeal hearing, in Perugia, Italy. Independent forensic experts disputed much of the forensic evidence collected against Amanda Knox, saying that some of the DNA traces used to convict the American student and her co-defendant may have been contaminated, in Perugia, Wednesday, June 29, 2011.

(AP Photo/Stefano Medici, file)

## Italian forensic experts question DNA evidence in Amanda Knox case

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**ROME** – A report by forensic experts filed with an appeals court on Wednesday casts doubt on the DNA evidence used to convict Amanda Knox and her Italian ex-boyfriend for the 2007 murder of a British student. Lawyers for the defendants said this development significantly improves their chances of winning their appeal.

In a 145-page report filed to a tribunal in Perugia – and immediately leaked to the news media – two court-appointed independent experts said that the collection and testing of DNA traces in key exhibits were below international standards and that the evidence may have been contaminated. Knox, 23, from Seattle, and her co-defendant Raffaele Sollecito, an Italian, were convicted in 2009 to 26 and 25 years in prison, respectively, for the murder of Meredith Kercher, 21, a British exchange student at the University of Perugia who shared a home with Knox. Both have denied wrongdoing and their appeal trials started last November. An Ivorian man, Rudy Guede, was also convicted of the crime and sentenced to 16 years.

After Kercher's half-naked body was found in her bedroom, her throat slit, on the morning of Nov. 2, 2007, prosecutors said she had been killed in a sexual escapade that spiraled out of control.

The experts – Stefano Conti and Carla Vecchiotti from Rome's Sapienza University – were appointed by the court after the defense requested an independent review of DNA traces found on two central pieces of evidence: a knife that prosecutors claim was used to kill Kercher and a bra-clasp that belonged to the victim found on the floor of the crime scene 46 days after her murder. □

## Cairo clashes highlight Egypt's fragility

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**CAIRO** – Clashes between the police and protesters that began Tuesday night and carried into Wednesday morning left more than 1,000 people injured in the worst violence to grip the capital since President Hosni Mubarak was forced from power in February.

The turmoil, which seemed to take almost everyone by surprise, demonstrated the fragile state of Egyptian society since the revolution, where almost any spark can ignite simmering tensions.

As the sun rose Wednesday over Tahrir Square, a now familiar tableau was revealed: sidewalks

of Armed Forces, which has final say over all decisions, called the events "senseless" and "with no purpose other than to destabilize Egypt according to a calculated plan." It said that 44 protesters were referred to a military prosecutor.

The origins of the clash remained murky. Protesters said they erupted Tuesday night when the police blocked a group from trying to enter a theater to commemorate the deaths of the approximately 800 protesters killed during the revolution.

The authorities had a different version, saying the violence began after protesters tried to break into the Interior Ministry.

toward stability before the clashes and that a police reform program was under way. Protest groups called for an open-ended sit-in in Tahrir Square to start Wednesday, earlier than originally planned, and are demanding an immediate end to emergency law and the removal of several top officials, including the interior minister, the finance minister and the prosecutor general.

But the fighting made clear that there were differences not only between the government and protesters, but between those who want more rapid change and those who are growing weary of the post-revolutionary tumult. While some protesters called for



A protester runs with a tear gas canister during clashes with police in Tahrir Square in Cairo, on June 29, 2011. The protesters were said to be angry over the slow pace of reform and that the military government had not started prosecuting those they believed responsible for the deaths during the revolt that happened early this year.

(Ed Ou/The New York Times)

smashed to bits by protesters who hurled the pieces at the police, metal barricades dragged into the street, rubber bullets scattered around, and clusters of protesters declaring a sit-in in opposition to the heavy-handed tactics of the police.

"I am here today because I am appalled at how the police have treated protesters," said Salma Samer, a 23-year-old student. "This is not what we called for when we took to the streets on Jan. 25th. This is not the revolution we imagined."

The Supreme Council

What is not in dispute is that armies of riot police officers who had been absent from the streets for months appeared in full force, eventually rushing protesters that included relatives of the dead and firing tear gas canisters and rubber bullets throughout the night and the following morning. Eventually, the protests moved into Tahrir Square.

On Wednesday, the prime minister, Essam Sharaf, said on state television that the police used violence only in self-defense and to protect public property. He said that Egypt was slowly moving

a speedy prosecution of the former president, the prosecution of the police who killed protesters during the 18-day revolution and for ending the practice of trying civilians in military courts, there was no single vision of what needs to be addressed first.

"The economy is in tatters, worse than before," said Ahmed Safwat, a 26-year-old computer engineer. "The country is in ruins; of course people are still protesting."

No unified chants rang through the square, no signs or banners decorated its lamp posts. □

# Study suggests UN force brought cholera to Haiti

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PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP)

— Evidence “strongly suggests” that a United Nations peacekeeping mission brought a cholera strain to Haiti that has killed thousands of people, a study by a team of epidemiologists and physicians says.

The study is the strongest argument yet that newly arrived Nepalese peacekeepers at a base near the town of Mirebalais brought with them the cholera, which spread through the waterways of the Artibonite region and elsewhere in this impoverished Caribbean country. The disease has killed more than 5,500 people and sickened more than 363,000 others since it was discovered in October, according to the Haitian government.

“Our findings strongly suggest that contamination of the Artibonite (river) and 1 of its tributaries downstream from a military camp triggered the epidemic,” said the report in the July issue of *Emerging Infectious Diseases*, a journal of the U.S. Centers for Disease

Control and Prevention.

The article says there is “an exact correlation” in time and place between the arrival of a Nepalese battalion from an area of its South Asian homeland

that was experiencing a cholera outbreak and the appearance of the first cases in the Meille river a few days later.

The remoteness of the Meille river in central Haiti

than 36 deaths have been reported since November.

Epidemiologist Renaud Piarroux, the lead author of the CDC journal article, was initially sent by

tation at the U.N. base housing the peacekeepers near Mirebalais.

In May, a U.N. independent panel of experts found that the cholera outbreak was caused by a South Asian strain imported by human activity that contaminated a river system where untold thousands of Haitians wash, bathe, drink and play.

But the study fell short of blaming any single group for the outbreak. While no other likely source was named, the report attributed the outbreak to a “confluence of circumstances,” including a lack of water infrastructure in Haiti and Haitians’ dependence on the river to live.

The new study argues it is important for scientists to determine the origin of cholera outbreaks and how they spread in order to eliminate “accidentally imported disease.”

Moreover, the study says, figuring out the source of a cholera epidemic would help health workers better treat and prevent cholera by minimizing the “distrust associated with the widespread suspicions of a cover-up of a deliberate importation of cholera.”

It also argues that demonstrating an imported origin would compel “international organizations to reappraise their procedures.”

After cholera surfaced last fall, many Haitians believed the Nepalese peacekeepers were to blame, straining relations between the population and U.N. personnel and sparking angry protests. On the streets, cholera has become slang for something that must be banished from Haiti.

The new study is acknowledged in a commentary by a pair of public health experts affiliated with the CDC. “However it occurred, there is little doubt that the organism was introduced to Haiti by a traveler from abroad, and this fact raises important public health considerations,” write Scott Dowell, director of the CDC’s Division of Global Disease Detection and Emergency Response, and Christopher Braden, a medical epidemiologist with the CDC. □



People walk in front of the earthquake-damaged National Cathedral during a Corpus Christi procession in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. Evidence “strongly suggests” that a United Nations peacekeeping mission brought a cholera strain to Haiti that has killed thousands of people, a study by a team of epidemiologists and physicians says.

(AP Photo/Ramon Espinosa)

and the absence of other factors make it unlikely that the cholera strain could have come to Haiti in any other way, the report says. The Associated Press made several phone calls and sent emails Wednesday seeking comment from the U.N. mission in Haiti, but spokesmen had not responded by Wednesday night.

The study comes as health workers in Haiti wrestle with a spike in the number of cholera cases brought on by several weeks of rainfall. The aid group Oxfam said earlier this month that its workers were treating more than 300 new cases a day, more than three times what they saw when the disease peaked in the fall. Cholera is caused by a bacteria that produces severe diarrhea and is contracted by eating or drinking contaminated food or water.

The disease has spread to the neighboring Dominican Republic, where more

the French government in late 2010 to investigate the origins of Haiti’s outbreak. He authored a report for U.N. and Haitian officials that said the Nepalese peacekeepers likely caused the outbreak, a copy of which was obtained at the time by the AP.

The latest study was more complete and its methodology was reviewed by a group of scientists.

For nearly two months after the outbreak last October, the United Nations, CDC and World Health Organization refused to investigate the origin of the cholera, saying that it was more important to treat patients than to try to figure out the source.

U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, under pressure from anti-U.N. protests by Haitians and mounting circumstantial evidence pointing to the troops, relented in December, requesting an investigation amid reports of poor sani-

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## ATF defenders:

# 'Fast and furious' obscures Mexico-bound gun traffic

**DAN FREEDMAN**

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**WASHINGTON** – The tainted "Operation Fast and Furious" has dealt the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms its worst blow since the agency's botched 1993 raid on the Branch Davidian compound in Waco, Texas, left four ATF agents dead. With federal agents testifying against their commanders, members of Congress calling for the top man's ouster and accusations that ATF is fudging its gun smuggling numbers, the political fallout itself has become fast and furious.

The operation, conducted jointly with agents from ATF, FBI, DEA and other agencies, was aimed at reaching beyond the low-level "straw purchasers" of weapons, and building a complex case against Mexican traffickers and their weapons brokers.

But the weapons purchased in gun stores in and around Phoenix, as many as 2,500, got away from ATF surveillance and eventually reached the cartels in Mexico. Two of them were recovered in December at the site in Southern Arizona where smugglers killed Border Patrol agent Brian Terry. At his news conference Wednesday, President Obama said letting guns go to Mexico "would not be an appropriate step by the ATF and we've got to find out how that happened ... As soon as the investigation is completed, appropriate actions will be taken."

On Capitol Hill, Rep. Darrell Issa, R-Calif., and Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, have also been demanding answers from Department of Justice officials.

"We want to know what felony-stupid bad judgment led to allowing this

"The problem of guns from the U.S. ending up in Mexico goes well beyond Fast and Furious, and it was there well before Fast and Furious got started," said Michael Bouchard, the ATF's assistant director for field operations from

war over gun rights versus gun control. Issa and Grassley are widely considered folk heroes to gun-rights advocates who fear liberal Democrats using U.S. guns in Mexico as fodder for more firearms restrictions.

"We've been involved in

ing the problem across the border." On Thursday, Democrats on Capitol Hill are sponsoring a forum focused on stopping the weapons flow through gun law "improvements." Sens. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., Charles Schumer, D-N.Y. and Sheldon Whitehouse, D-R.I., issued a report earlier this month, "Halting U.S. Firearms Trafficking to Mexico" that called for reinstatement of the assault weapons ban and an ATF-proposed requirement that firearms dealers report multiple purchases of assault-type weapons to the agency. They based the report on ATF data – data critics refute – claiming 20,504 of 29,284 guns recovered in Mexico in 2009 and 2010 and submitted for tracing were U.S. sourced firearms. That's 70 percent of the total 29,284 guns traced those years. A Hearst Newspapers survey last month of 44 gun prosecutions in Texas, Arizona, California, Nevada, Oklahoma and New Mexico pinpointed a total of 1,600 U.S.-purchased guns by brand name that were recovered in Mexico or intercepted en route.

According to ATF, 1,573 defendants faced charges related to firearms trafficking from 2006 to 2010 under Project Gunrunner, the ATF's five-year effort to combat weapons trafficking to Mexico. The agency has 4,600 on-going Gunrunner investigations in border jurisdictions, an ATF spokesman said. □



**Federal police escort Francisco Cardenas in handcuffs during his presentation to the press in Mexico City. Cardenas was arrested on charges of money laundering in association with a criminal organization called "Los Carcachos," according to police.**

(AP Photo/Alexandre Meneghini)

program at the highest levels," Issa said at a recent hearing.

ATF defenders, some of them retired agents, say the problem of guns from U.S. sources winding up in Mexico is a border-wide phenomenon and "Fast and Furious" is just an operation gone wrong in a sea of other cases that ended in successful convictions.

2004 until his retirement in 2007. "We have to prevent the flow of guns into Mexico because it affects our national security."

The operation yielded an indictment in January that named 20 defendants, all low-level purchasers. The indictment identified purchases of 681 guns, including 589 AK-47s. The political uproar is just the latest battle line in the long

this issue ever since various folks – the president of Mexico (Felipe Calderon) and President Obama – accused firearms dealers operating legally under the Second Amendment of being the source of violence in Mexico," said Andrew Arulanandam, spokesman for the National Rifle Association. "They're the ones advocating more gun control as a means of address-

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# Wills, Kate off to Canada, US in first tour

**GREGORY KATZ,**  
**Associated Press**

**LONDON (AP)** — It sounds like a bit of a racket: \$4,000 for a three-course meal and a chance to see a polo match up close.

It gets better when you throw in the chance to rub shoulders with the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge in southern California, where bragging about having a glass of wine with the new royal couple may be the ultimate Hollywood glamour trip. The charity event at the Santa Barbara Polo & Racquet Club will be one of the highlights of the first official overseas trip by Prince William and the former Kate Middleton, which kicks off Thursday in Canada and takes them later to southern California. There's no doubt the athletic prince and his fashion-forward bride have star power to burn. So far, about 1,000 VIP tickets have been sold to the polo match along with about 400 general admission

passes, raising nearly \$4.4 million for the July 9 charity event. William plans to play in the match, and his wife will award the trophy to the winning team.

"The members are thrilled to

chairman Glen Holden, a former U.S. ambassador to Jamaica who said he has never seen anything like it in his 38 years with the exclusive polo club.

In Canada, William and

vast northwest territories. They will meet veterans and their families, as well as youth groups in several parts of the country.

William plans to demonstrate his skills as a helicopter rescue pilot by taking part in a water landing demonstration, and the couple also plan to put on aprons and take part in a cooking workshop in Quebec City. They jet to Los Angeles on July 8 and will host a gala dinner there the next night to introduce up-and-coming British film talent to Hollywood executives.

It doesn't take a foreign venue to spark interest in the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge, the formal royal titles the newlyweds received from Queen Elizabeth II on their wedding day. Their first charity appearance, as guests of honor at a gala dinner in London earlier this month, raised hundreds of thousands of pounds (dollars) for a children's charity and drew luminaries from Brit-

ain's film world.

The couple even managed to use their wedding day as a way to raise more than 1 million pounds (\$1.6 million) for 26 designated charities. They urged guests, and well-wishers around the world, to make contributions to the charities rather than give them presents.

The innovative tactic was successful in focusing public attention on a number of groups that are usually overlooked, said Gareth Harper, managing director of the Peace Players, a Northern Ireland charity that was among the charities singled out by the royal couple. The group, which uses basketball to bring together people from both sides of Northern Ireland's religious and cultural divide, received several direct donations from people heeding the couple's charity call. President Barack Obama (a noted basketball fan) and his wife, Michelle, sent the charity six Apple computers. □



**Tiffany Steppacher of The Cupcake Lounge in the Byward Market prepares a cupcake display in preparation for the royal visit of the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge in Ottawa, Canada on Wednesday, June 29, 2011.**

(AP Photo/The Canadian Press, Sean Kilpatrick)

host the royal couple and the public's reaction to this special day and event has been fantastic," said club

Kate will join in raucous Canada Day celebrations, open the Calgary Stampede, and canoeing in the

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# Repackaging the revolutionary classics of China

EDWARD WONG

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**CHONGQING, China** – The kindergarten musical climaxed in a whirlwind of violence: A teacher playing a Japanese soldier sliced down a peasant girl with a curved sword, just as two tykes in Red Army outfits took aim at him with plastic pistols.

Dozens of girls in cerise silk outfits broke into song and dance in the schoolyard, and a teacher at the microphone delivered the lesson: "If you don't put up your defenses, you'll lose your life."

The Maoist musical was the brainchild of the Red Song Association, founded by Zhang Shusen, a well-connected corporate lawyer and local politician. The group is on the front lines of a government-driven "red culture" revival now in full flower ahead of an elaborate celebration of the 90th anniversary of the founding of the Chinese Communist Party on July 1.

In recent months, the campaign has spread quickly across the country from its roots in the booming western metropolis of Chongqing, surprising many Chinese and leading to unusually loud criticism from moderates and liberals alarmed by its retro-red ideology.

"When I sing it, I feel immense respect for 'Wang Exiao,'" Zhang, 59, said of the classic ode to a martyred peasant child. "And for the attackers, I feel a hatred. The people of China must not forget the past. We must take this spirit and use it to construct our new socialism." China has boomed during three decades of economic reform and has in many respects tried to distance itself from the Mao era, when tens of millions died from deprivation and state-directed violence. But Communist Party leaders still promote the myths and icons of that time to instill patriotism and loyalty in the population.

The latest iteration, started by the ambitious party chief of Chongqing, Bo Xilai, is centered on singing Communist classics and

has been copied by central leaders for a nationwide mobilization to celebrate the 90th anniversary. Party officials have told schools, state-owned com-

panies and neighborhood committees to organize choirs to sing red songs and stage musical numbers, celebrating Maoist classics like "The East is Red" and "Without the Communist Party There Would Be No New China." In Chongqing, even prisons are holding singalongs, and one psychiatric hospital has prescribed it to patients.



**A group of dancers rehearse in Shaping Park in Chongqing, China, June 2, 2011. A government-driven "red culture" revival is in full bloom ahead of a celebration of the 90th anniversary of the founding of the Chinese Communist Party on July 1.**

(Gilles Sabrie/The New York Times)

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The revival has moved well beyond just red songs in this municipal area of 31 million, whose urban core is built on foggy hills overlooking the Yangtze and Jialing Rivers. In initiatives reminiscent of the Mao era, the government has ordered each cadre to live with a family in the countryside for a month, transmitted Maoist slogans to residents via text message, and told Chongqing Satellite Television to fill prime-time hours with educational red programming and cut all commercial advertising.

The campaign has become a flashpoint for liberal elites wary of any return to Maoist ideology. Some are boldly criticizing the red revival,

which they argue is an attempt to portray Communist propaganda as indigenous culture. What they see as true, traditional Chinese culture, eviscerated during

judges and police officers applauded wildly.

Zhang Ming, a political scientist at Renmin University and a party member, said in an interview, "The songs

they're singing now are pink songs, not red songs." The party never encourages the singing of "The Internationale" or "It Is Right to Rebel," a Cultural Revolution classic, he added.

"Red songs are mostly about revolution and the violence," he said. "Now they only use red songs to praise the party and the party members, so it's pointless." Despite the criticism, the revival has stirred nostalgia among some Chinese for the Mao era, even

those who lived through its horrors. For them, red culture evokes the simple ideals and unalloyed patriotism of that period more than the traumas endured. And red songs are the music of their childhood.

"The red songs don't remind me of any revolution," said Zhao Chunyu, a 70-year-old retiree, before crooning "Ode to the Motherland" one morning at a government-built red song karaoke platform in E'ling Park.

Zhao also sings in a 50-person red choir organized by her neighborhood party committee.

"I grew up with the new China. My education and my job are all because of the party. I sing these songs to thank them."

Such historical amnesia is evident throughout Chongqing, site of some of the fiercest fighting among Red Guards during the Cultural Revolution. Factions employed grenades, machine guns, flamethrowers, tanks, boats and artillery cannons against each other. Now, in leafy Shaping Park, a choir of retirees meets three times a week to sing paeans to Mao, just 50 yards from a cemetery where hundreds of Red Guards lie beneath towering tombstones.

Bo, the local party leader, announced the red culture campaign in 2008, around the same time he started a sweeping anti-corruption drive, most likely to make a case for a promotion in Beijing, analysts said. A year later, Zhang founded the Red Song Association.

It is a typically opaque semiofficial organization. Zhang said it was registered with the Chinese Choir Association under the Ministry of Culture and with the Chongqing government, but did not get money from either. It has four employees and about 100 volunteers. It works with a "red culture leadership office" in Chongqing's propaganda department, and put on some of the 104,000 performances reportedly held in Chongqing before this year. □



**Children gather before a performance for a musical arranged by the Red Song Association in Chongqing, China, June 2, 2011**

(Gilles Sabrie/The New York Times)

intended. "In this absurd time, they encourage you to sing revolutionary songs, but they do not encourage you to wage a revolution," He Bing, the vice dean of the law school at China University of Political Science & Law, said at a recent graduation. Surprisingly, the audience of aspiring lawyers,

tion classic, he added. "Red songs are mostly about revolution and the violence," he said. "Now they only use red songs to praise the party and the party members, so it's pointless." Despite the criticism, the revival has stirred nostalgia among some Chinese for the Mao era, even

# Hunting al-Qaida

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**WASHINGTON (AP)** — The United States will push ahead with more targeted drone strikes and special operations raids and fewer costly land battles like Iraq and Afghanistan in the continuing operations against the al-Qaida terror movement, according to a new national counterterrorism strategy revealed Wednesday. The doctrine, two years in the making, comes in the aftermath of the successful special operations raid that killed al-Qaida chief Osama bin Laden in May, and a week after President Barack Obama's announcement that U.S. troops will begin leaving Afghanistan in the middle of this year.

The document is a purposeful departure from the Bush administration's global war on terror. The worldwide hunt for terrorists that began after the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks on the United States focused first on Afghanistan, and small numbers of al-Qaida remain active there. White House counterterrorism chief John Brennan said the reworked doctrine acknowledges the growing threat of terrorism at home, including al-Qaida attempts to recruit and attack inside the United States. Brennan told a Washington audience Wednesday that more resources would be spent on the fight at home to spot would-be militants and their recruiters. "Our best offense won't always be deploying large armies abroad, but delivering targeted, surgical pressure to the groups that threaten us," Brennan said at the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies. The operations Brennan describes are almost solely the province of the intelligence and military special operations agencies, especially the CIA and elite forces of the Joint Special Operations Command that worked together to carry out the bin Laden raid, but also including special operations trainers who work with host nations' militaries. □

## South Sudan asks US to lift sanctions on Khartoum

**MAGGIE FICK**

**Associated Press**

**JUBA, Sudan (AP)** — Southern Sudan wants the U.S. to remove economic sanctions against Sudan so that the south's oil exports won't suffer financially when they move through northern Sudan's oil pipelines, the region's vice president said. Southern Sudan will break away from the north and become the world's newest nation on July 9. A 2005 peace accord ended a decades-long civil war, but northern troops over the last several weeks have attacked pro-southern communities along the north-south border.

Despite the attacks, the south is lobbying for a lifting of sanctions on the north, because of the economic benefits the south would also receive.

Vice President Riek Machar returned from a three-week trip to the U.S. on Wednesday, where he said he discussed the future of the American sanctions with the U.S. government and with ambassadors to the U.N. Security Council.

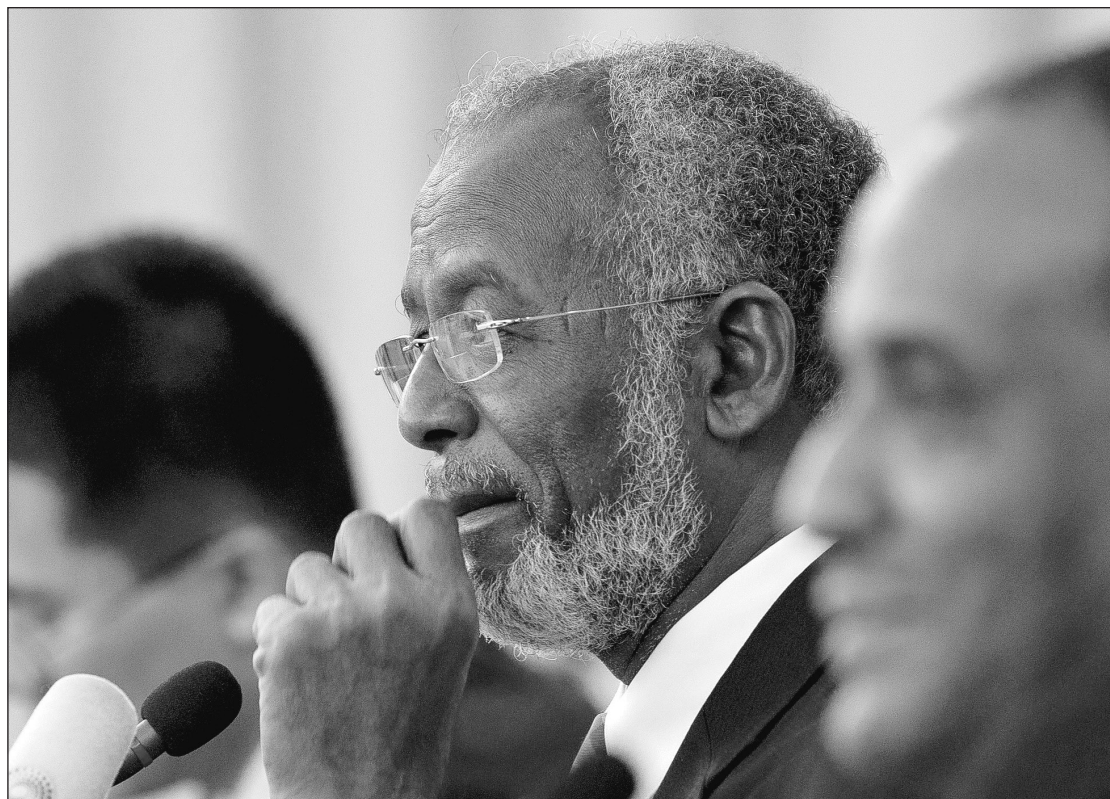
"We rely in Southern Sudan on oil revenues," said Machar. "According to the American sanctions on the whole Sudan, oil is a sanctioned commodity."

Oil is virtually the only mon-

eymaker for the government of Southern Sudan. Sudan as a whole is the third largest oil producer in sub-Saharan Africa, behind Nigeria and Angola. The

lobbied the Obama administration to review and "preferably" lift sanctions on the entire country, arguing that if U.S. sanctions continue after Sudan splits

imposed sanctions on President Omar al-Bashir's Khartoum government in 1997. The order prohibited U.S. importation of Sudanese items and goods and pre-



**Sudanese Foreign Minister Ali Ahmed Karti gestures while he listen to journalist's question during a news conference at the Sudan Embassy in Beijing, China, Wednesday, June 29, 2011. Karti is accompanying Sudan's embattled president who on Wednesday conferred with his chief diplomatic backer China.**

**(AP Photo/Andy Wong)**

majority of Sudan's oil is in the south, but the south's only means to export the oil is through pipelines that run through the north, to Port Sudan on the Red Sea.

Machar said his delegation

in two, the oil-dependent southern economy will suffer. Machar said his delegation received U.S. assurances that it would review the sanctions.

The U.S. government first

vented the export of all U.S. goods to Sudan except for humanitarian supplies. President Bill Clinton said at the time that Sudan's support for terrorist organizations was unacceptable. □

## Afghan attack left mass of bodies at luxury hotel

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**Associated Press**

**KABUL, Afghanistan (AP)**

— Hotel guest Abdul Zahir Faizada watched as a uniformed gunman shoved a man to the ground and shot him to death at point-blank range. Suddenly, gunfire erupted and another assailant blew himself up.

By the time the siege of the luxury Inter-Continental Hotel ended Wednesday, 20 people lay dead — including nine attackers, all of whom wore suicide-bomber vests — and one of Kabul's premier landmarks was left a grisly scene of bodies, shrapnel and shattered glass.

It was one of the biggest

and most complex attacks ever orchestrated in the Afghan capital and appeared designed to show that the insurgents are capable of striking even in the center of power at a time when U.S. officials are speaking of progress in the nearly 10-year war.

The brazen attack by militants with explosives, anti-aircraft weapons, guns and grenade launchers dampened hopes that a peace settlement can be reached with the Taliban and raised doubt that Afghan security forces are ready to take the lead from foreign forces in the nearly decade-long war. Faizada, the leader of the local council in Herat province who was in Kabul to

attend a conference on that very issue, had just finished dinner at the hotel restaurant and was walking to his room on the second floor around 10 p.m. Tuesday when the militants struck. He said he saw five or six people in security-type uniforms clashing with the hotel staff and guards. "Suddenly I saw this guy in a uniform pushing a man to the ground. He shot him dead," Faizada said.

For the rest of the night, Faizada and the mayor of Herat stayed locked in their darkened hotel room, whispering into cell phones with friends back in Herat who were giving them news updates of what was happening during the standoff.

The attack came just a week after President Barack Obama said he would start withdrawing U.S. troops from Afghanistan next month. The suicide bombers struck on the eve of a two-day conference on transferring the responsibility for security across the nation to Afghan forces between now and the end of 2014. The U.S.-led military coalition, Afghan government and Ashraf Ghani, chairman of the transition commission, all vowed that the Afghan army and police would be ready in time. "Such incidents will not stop us for transitioning security of our country," Afghan President Hamid Karzai said. □



## InselAir is now going to Venezuela

**ORANJESTAD** - Curaçao-based airline, InselAir, is pleased to announce plans to extend its service to Venezuela with 15th destination Caracas. Starting July 18th, InselAir will operate the route Caracas - Curaçao on weekdays between Hato International Airport, Curaçao and Aeropuerto de Maiquetía, Caracas, Venezuela. Flights are on sale for a special introduction fare of ANG 350,- (return fare). The special introductory price period is bookable until August 1st. Special priced tickets are available online at [www.fly-inselair.com](http://www.fly-inselair.com), at all InselAir sale points, local travel agents and are available for travel through Thursday December 15, 2011. InselAir destinations Aruba, Bonaire and Medellín have great connections via Curaçao to Caracas. Caracas, a business-city that holds the name eternal summer, is known for its high cuisine, shopping and business markets such as service, banking, retail, chemical and textiles. Caracas is also home to PDVSA (a state-controlled oil company, that is considered fifth in the world) and the Caracas Stock Exchange. Next to business, Caracas has great walking trails throughout the National Park El Avilla, which is located between the city and the Caribbean Coast, and home to beautiful flora and fauna, as well as great shopping at commercial malls and street markets for leisure activities. InselAir will operate the route with the MD-80 aircraft, with assigned seating, one carry-on and first checked bag free (terms and conditions apply), free food and beverages (non-alcoholic), and great customer service. □

## Artist Timothy Charles, young artists to create a giant mural



**ORANJESTAD** -- Aruba's Archeological Museum revealed an ambitious artistic project coming into the parking lot of Kong Hing Supermarket located just across the street from the museum. While the market donated the wall, local artist Timothy Charles was recruited by the museum to develop a mural, and execute it with

the help of budding local artists from Oranjestad and San Nicolas. Glenrick Franken, 15, Roz Anne Clement, 15, Abisha Chai, 16, Ann Sophy Donk, 17, Rowald Tromp, 20 and Yuxemy Alba, 17, already worked on a mural, that in the parking lot of the Oranjestad bus station, creating 25 colorful panels. This time, again under the



artistic direction of Timothy Charles they will be painting on a broad canvas, scenes inspired by active, healthy living, encouraging those walking past the mural to exercise and eat right. The mural is part of the Archeological Museum sum-

mer program for students and will take about two weeks to complete. Visit the artists any afternoon at the site. Timothy Charles hosts a TV show by the name of "Creatividad," each Thursday on Tele Aruba. □

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**PALM BEACH** -- In the spirit of community service the casino at the Radisson made a generous donation this week to the Special Olympics. A check of \$ 1,000 was handed over to

Rosalie Klein, in the name of casino patrons, in the name of The Casino at the Radisson management & and in the name of the Radisson Aruba Resort Casino & Spa. The money was collected

during a series of events designed to raise awareness and help the local special athletes realize their dreams of travel to the international Summer Games event in Athens, Greece. The casino continued to also dish out cash this week as lucky patrons won more than us\$ 5,000 in jackpots, enjoying exciting and engaging gaming experiences. The weekly Casino Bonanza played every Tuesday awarded the Radisson guest Phillip Gallagher and the Marriott guests Matt & Jessica Falzarano fun restaurant gift certificates, while the weekly Car Raffle promotion which will culminate on June 23<sup>rd</sup> with a car give-away bestowed a Digital Camera upon David Wever, dinner for two at Laguna Restaurant for Edwin

Tromp and dinner for two at Gilligan's Beach Bar & Grill to Joan Marin. The Casino hosts always organize a slot tournament on Saturday, and this week Editha Feliziana, Sergio Pena and Roxana Matos walked away smiling with cash prizes in their hand. A brand new Suzuki Swift GLX is now on display as a Grand Prize for slot and table players. The cute blue car is a 4-door, with a 1.5 lt. engine, keyless entry, air conditioning and sport seats, among other great features. The Suzuki Swift GLX will be given away in just a few weeks, on July 23<sup>rd</sup>, and every Friday until then a casino happening awards attractive prizes to some of those who deposit their ticket in the designated drum. Pictured here this week's winners. □

# La Cabana hosts a cultural experience



**EAGLE BEACH** – With the intention to promote Aruba's culture and provide more entertainment to resort guests, the Food & Beverage Department of La Cabana Beach & Racquet Club introduced a monthly traditional night, filled with

culture, music, food & drink at the Pata Pata pool bar. On June 24th, this cultural night coincided with Saint John's celebration, Dera Gai, which is a popular and widely celebrated holiday on the island. The pool deck became



the stage for that day's traditional folkloric song and dance performances by Claudius Philips and his band, Grupo Masiduri and the Rincon Boyz, who entertained while guests had the opportunity to shop for arts and crafts at the poolside bazaar. The highlight of the evening



was the Dera Gai dance, to the music of the popular Rincon Boyz. Dera Gai—which translates to "burying of the rooster" in the local language—is a cultural festival which has been observed here for about 100 years with traditional song and dance. The

holiday is related to the life-story of St. John the Baptist. Guests and other visitors danced the night away to the unique tunes of Claudius Philips early in the evening, then enjoyed traditional compositions, while the stands sold local snacks, offering Cocada, Pan Suiker, Dulce de Leche and pastechi, washed down with some local beer. □



## Jessica Smith and Nate Yauch are wed at the Radisson



**PALM BEACH** -- Jessica & Nate got married at sunset on the beach of the Radisson Aruba Resort Casino & Spa with sixty guests in attendance, all from Michi-

gan. The lovely bride and handsome groom met while in college, attending Central Michigan University, in 2002. They came to Aruba once

before to scout out wedding locations and fell in love with the Radisson! Reverend Robert Gibson performed the poetic ceremony and blessing against



the backdrop of a spectacular sunset. The official part of the evening was followed by a champagne reception on the beach and din-

ner under the topical sky on the resort's pool deck, orchestrated by the dedicated wedding specialist, Lisa Dammerman and her crew. □

At CILO City Lounge

# The Sultry Summer Sunday in Greece a blast



the rafters last Sunday when it's first Sultry Summer Sunday happening took place. Greece was the country of choice where CILO's guests were taken on an imaginary trip, and what a trip it was! The economic problems in that far-away country were totally forgotten: it was party time.

The ouzo and retsina flowed freely, the Greek specialties were ordered by the dozens, the sirtaki was the dance of choice and the smashing of the dinnerware was a hit. CILO itself sported a definitely Greek

around looking like Greek gods and goddesses with laurel wreaths crowning their gorgeous tresses. They looked spectacular!

At 9 pm it was time for Datapanik with its electro-reggae sound taking the guests in one fell sweep to modern times in Greece and the rest of the world.

Datapanik blended perfectly into the fun atmosphere; they drew scores of fans, who squeezed together on the outside terraces. See for yourself and look up [www.facebook.com/ciloaruba](http://www.facebook.com/ciloaruba) or [www.cilo-aruba.com](http://www.cilo-aruba.com).

The next edition of the Sultry Summer Sunday at CILO City Lounge will be taking its guests to Brazil.

Look forward to a capoeira demonstration, carnival dancers in skimpy bikinis dancing the samba, drinking loads of caipirinha and much more! The Brazilian night is held on Sunday, July 24. □



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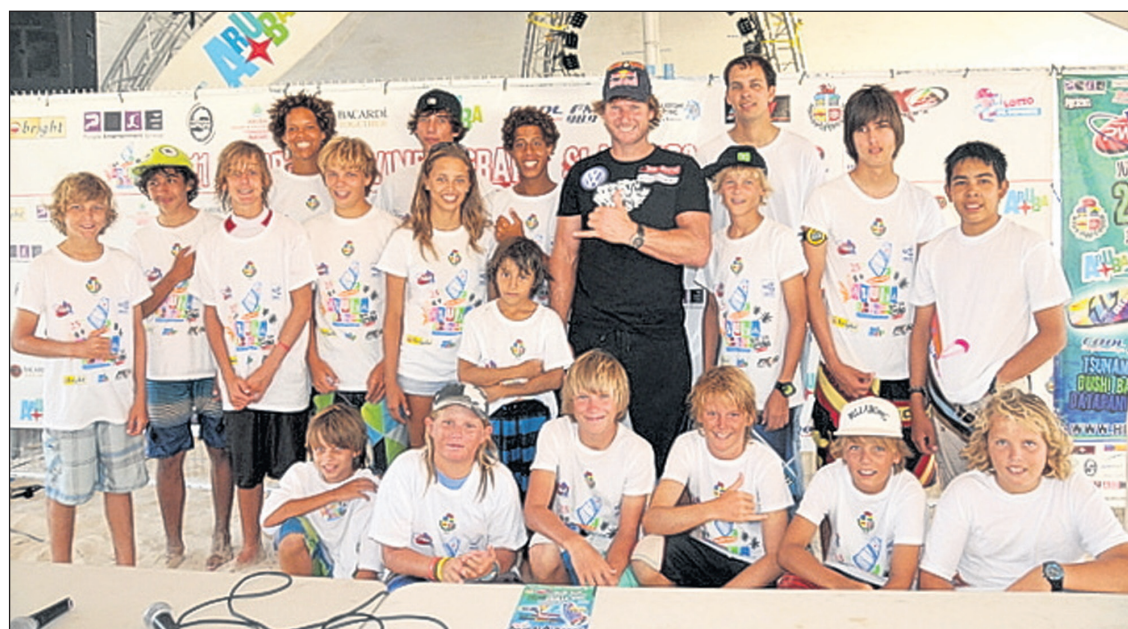


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# Grand Slam Champs welcome amateurs to 25<sup>th</sup> Hi-Winds



Professional winners Sarah-Quita Offringa and Bjorn Dunkerbeck join the Aruba Hi-Winds organization in welcoming amateurs from all over the world to compete in the Aruba Hi-Winds 25<sup>th</sup> edition. Photos by Julia Renfro

**FISHERMAN'S HUTS** – For 25 windy years, the Aruba Hi-Winds event has gone off without a hitch providing windsurfers from up to 43 nations to compete against one another in the most perfect location of all,

Aruba at the Fisherman's Huts. Local windsurfing Champion Sarah-Quita Offringa dominated the Woman's division last week in both Slalom and Freestyle of the PWA Aruba Hi-Winds Grand Slam held

on Aruba for the last 8 days. The legendary Bjorn Dunkerbeck won the Grand Slam men's division in a tough competition against Frenchman Antoine Albeau and Dutchman Ben Van Der Steen. The pros have all

gone now except for Sarah-Quita who will compete with the amateurs who will take their turn to go head to head against each other in the Aruban waters. Aruba is one of the most popular windsurfing and kitesurfing destinations in the world. The best wind speeds are from January through August (20 - 30 knots), while they slow down to 10 to 20 knots in the months September to December.

In 1988, the PWA (then PBA) added the Aruba Hi-Winds Pro-Am, then in Aruba's 2nd edition, to the World Tour. Windsurfing legends like Robby Naish, Anders Bringdal, Pascal Maka, Nevin Sayre and Björn Dunkerbeck came to the island to compete. The women, like Jutta Mueller, Nathalie Simon and Britt Dunkerbeck came as well.

In the early nineties, one of the most grueling events of the entire PWA-tour was held on Aruba: the legendary Round-the-Island Race, a long distance race of around 70 miles, which was won twice, in under five hours, by Björn Dunkerbeck. As government sponsorship ended in the mid-nineties, the Aruba Hi-Winds sur-



vived as an amateur event; it was held at the Fishermen's Huts and welcomed new additions to its menu: Freestyle ('King of the Huts') and Kitesurfing at the rugged north coast. 2011 is the 25<sup>th</sup> edition of the event and adding to the celebrations is the PWA World Tour, making a stop on Aruba with its Freestylers and Slalom racers. This Grand Slam event, was being held from June 19 to 26<sup>th</sup> is followed by the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Aruba Hi-Winds, together making it a true Pro-Am extravaganza, something the entire island is enjoying. Join us this afternoon at 4 pm for Happy Hour, ambiance, music... And more fun than you can ever imagine. ☐



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**AP Basketball Writer**

**NEW YORK (AP)** — The NBA is headed to deadline day, with perhaps one last chance to avoid a lockout. Negotiators for owners and players will meet Thursday, about 12 hours before the expiration of the collective bargaining agreement and seemingly nowhere close to a deal.

The sides remain far apart on just about every major issue, from salaries to the salary cap, revenues to revenue sharing.

After meeting twice a week for most of the month, this is the only session scheduled this week. The two sides could continue bargaining past the deadline, but that probably requires owners to see evidence of the gap narrowing Thursday.

Otherwise, they could lock out the players for the first time since the 1998-99 season was reduced to 50 games, though Commissioner David Stern has refused to say what would happen if a deal is not done Thursday.

"We're not going to negotiate in the media," he said Tuesday after meeting with owners. "We haven't before, we're not going to do it now. We're looking forward to having our discussion with the players."

There may not be much to discuss. Players declined to offer a new economic proposal in the most recent



meeting Friday, and they may still feel their previous offer to reduce their salaries by \$500 million over five years is going far enough.

Deputy Commissioner Adam Silver said the league didn't know if the players would make another proposal. Both sides have moved, but not nearly far enough for the other. Players still consider the owners' proposal for a "flex" cap, where each team would be targeted to spend \$62 million, a hard cap because there is an eventual unspecified level that can't be exceeded. And though

the league said total player compensation would never dip below \$2 billion over the life of its proposed 10-year deal, that would amount to a pay cut for the players, who were paid more than \$2.1 billion this season in salaries and benefits.

Owners have dropped their insistence that no contracts could be fully guaranteed, an issue the players strongly opposed. "In this league, teams can easily just say, 'We don't want this guy on our team anymore.'" I think the security of having that contract goes a long way because you're taking

care of your family, you've got a lot of things you're doing and this is your way of living," All-Star Kevin Durant said.

"I think that's the biggest thing with us, having that security as a player, knowing coming in that you're guaranteed and you're straight. Hopefully we keep that." Owners still want a reduction in the players' guarantee of 57 percent of basketball revenues. Players said their latest proposal would have taken them down to 54.3, but say the league's offer would have them down to around 40 percent. The meeting Thurs-

day will include just small groups from each side, after many players attended the last session. Without a deal, there will be no free agency starting Friday, and the summer league in Las Vegas has already been canceled.

Real games could be next to go. Stern has said the offers only get worse once a lockout has started, though there is still plenty of time even if nothing gets done Thursday.

"I don't see us missing any games. But I see it coming down to the wire, though," Milwaukee's Stephen Jackson said. □

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# Sports Briefs

## Jeter could return next week



A fan holds a sign comparing former Cincinnati Reds' Pete Rose's hit total with that of New York Yankees' Derek Jeter, during an interleague baseball game Monday, June 20, 2011, in Cincinnati.

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**NEW YORK (AP)** — Derek Jeter could be ready to resume his chase for 3,000 hits by early next week.

The injured New York Yankees shortstop went through his latest round of rehab work Wednesday in Tampa, Fla., and general manager Brian Cashman says if all goes well over the next couple of days Jeter might begin a minor league rehab assignment Saturday with Double-A Trenton. He is likely to play at least two rehab games, and Cashman acknowledged it's possible Jeter could rejoin the team for a three-game series in Cleveland starting Monday. Sidelined by a strained right calf, Jeter is six hits shy of 3,000. A return next week could put him on track to reach the milestone at Yankee Stadium during a four-game series against Tampa Bay from July 7-10. □

## Tiger's niece leads women's publinks

**BANDON, Oregon (AP)** — Cheyenne Woods, the niece of Tiger Woods, shot a 2-under 69 on Tuesday to finish first in stroke-play qualifying at the Women's U.S. Amateur Public Links Championship.

Woods, who won the Atlantic Coast Conference individual championship as a junior for Wake Forest last month, finished 36 holes at minus 1, the only player in the field of 155 to break par. She will be the top seed when match play begins Wednesday.

Emile Burger finished second at plus-3 145 after shooting a 69 on Tuesday.

First-round leader Kelsey Vines followed up her 71 with a 78 to finish at plus 7, tied for eighth. □

## Animal Kingdom out for rest of year

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Kentucky Derby winner Animal Kingdom has a more serious leg injury that will require surgery, and the colt won't race again this year. The colt's ownership, Team Valor International, said in a statement Wednesday that a second set of X-rays has revealed Animal Kingdom has a slab fracture in his left hind leg just above the small fracture to the cannon bone found two weeks ago.



Kentucky Derby winner Animal Kingdom peers through the starting gate as he is schooled, Wednesday, June 8, 2011 at Belmont Park in Elmont, N.Y.

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Animal Kingdom will have a screw inserted to compress the fracture during surgery on Thursday at New Bolton Research Center in Kennett Square, Pa. The colt will then return to his home at Fair Hill Training Center in Elton, Md., for 90 days of rehab. Team Valor says Animal Kingdom will be out of training for three months, with the goal of returning for the Dubai World Cup in late March. □

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France's Jo-Wilfried Tsonga celebrates defeating Switzerland's Roger Federer in their match at the All England Lawn Tennis Championships at Wimbledon, Wednesday, June 29, 2011.

Associated Press

**CHRIS LEHOURITES**

**AP Sports Writer**

**WIMBLEDON, England (AP)**

— Roger Federer was eliminated in the Wimbledon quarterfinals for the second straight year Wednesday, squandering a two-set lead for the first time at a Grand Slam tournament and losing to Jo-Wilfried Tsonga 3-6, 6-7 (3), 6-4, 6-4, 6-4. The six-time Wimbledon champion barely looked challenged while winning the first two sets against the 12th-seeded Frenchman. But Federer, who had been 178-0 in matches in which he had won the opening two sets at a major tournament, was broken one time in each of the last three sets. "It's kind of hard going out of the tournament that way, but unfortunately it does happen sometimes," said Federer, who was playing in his 29th straight major quarterfinal. "At least it took him sort of a special performance to beat me, which is somewhat nice."

Federer may be right. The

16-time Grand Slam champion finished the match with only 11 unforced errors, half as many as Tsonga, but it didn't help him get close to breaking Tsonga's serve when he needed it.

"I was two sets down and I break. I did a good game of return and after that it was just amazing," said Tsonga, who had 63 winners, five more than Federer. "I just played unbelievable, served unbelievable and now I'm here, I'm in semifinal and I can't believe it." In the next round, Tsonga will face second-seeded Novak Djokovic, who defeated 18-year-old Australian qualifier Bernard Tomic 6-2, 3-6, 6-3, 7-5.

Defending champion Rafael Nadal also advanced, beating Mardy Fish 6-3, 6-3, 5-7, 6-4. The two-time champion will face fourth-seeded Andy Murray in the semifinals. Murray defeated Feliciano Lopez 6-3, 6-4, 6-4. Federer was seeking a record-equating seventh Wimbledon title this year.

He breezed through his opening four matches, losing only one set, and played his usual elegant game against Tsonga.

In the first set, Federer earned his one and only break point of the match in Tsonga's first service game, and converted it. He held the rest of the way, and then won the second set in the tiebreaker.

But Tsonga finally got his first break in the third set, and another in the fourth and another in the fifth. Those were the Frenchman's only three breaks.

"He can come up with some good stuff and some poor things at times," Federer said. "He had basically good return games along the way in the third, fourth, and fifth. I think especially the third set, the break I get is very unusual. He chips back a couple, they stay in."

Federer has won six titles at the All England Club, including five in a row from 2003-07. He lost to Nadal in the 2008 final in what is considered by many to be one of the greatest matches ever, and then beat Andy Roddick for the championship a year later, winning 16-14 in the fifth set.

Last year, he lost to eventual runner-up Tomas Berdych in the quarterfinals.

"It's the biggest champion in my sport," Tsonga said. "He achieved a lot of things and he's just the best player in the world and I'm just so happy to win against him, especially on grass because it's maybe one of his favorite surface and I'm just so happy today."

Instead of Federer improving on his record haul of major titles, 10-time Grand Slam champion Nadal can add to his own.

The top-seeded Spaniard lost one set but did not appear to be bothered by the left foot injury he sustained in his previous match against Juan Martin del Potro. "Today it was better. The treatment worked and I'm fine. I'm here," Nadal said. □

# Hanigan, Reds get to Shields in 4-3 win over Rays

**ST. PETERSBURG, Florida (AP)** — Ryan Hanigan hit a three-run homer off James Shields as the Cincinnati Reds beat the Tampa Bay Rays 4-3 in interleague play Wednesday.

Hanigan connected with two out in the fourth for his first homer since going deep twice April 3 against Milwaukee.

Shields (8-5) had given up just two runs in his previous three starts, all of which were complete-game wins.

Edinson Volquez (5-3) gave up three runs and four hits in 6 1-3 innings.

Evan Longoria hit a two-run double and B.J. Upton went deep for Tampa Bay. Upton has four homers in his last six games.

## Braves 5, Mariners 3

At Seattle, Freddie Freeman dominated pitcher Felix Hernandez with three hits and two RBIs as Atlanta completed an impressive three-game sweep that included victories over Seattle's best starting pitchers. The Braves won for the eighth time in 10 games and picked up their 25th road victory of the season. They handed losses to Hernandez, rookie star Michael Pineda and Erik Bedard dur-



Cincinnati Reds' Ryan Hanigan hits a three-run home run off Tampa Bay Rays starting pitcher James Shields during the fourth-inning of an interleague baseball game Wednesday, June 29, 2011, in St. Petersburg, Fla. Reds' Joey Votto and Scott Rolen also scored on the hit.

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ing their rare trip to Seattle. Derek Lowe (4-6) pitched six crisp innings for Atlanta, yielding one run and four hits to earn his first win since May 6 at Philadelphia. Dustin Ackley hit a two-run homer for Seattle.

## Indians 6, Diamondbacks 2

At Phoenix, Carlos Carrasco pitched seven solid innings

to lead Cleveland over Arizona.

Orlando Cabrera, who delivered the deciding home run in the series opener, had a season-high four hits. He doubled, scored twice and drove in a run as the Indians won for just the third time in nine games.

Carrasco (8-4) gave up two

runs and four hits, struck out seven and walked none. The right-hander is 4-1 with a sparkling 0.98 ERA in his last five starts.

Justin Upton and Stephen Drew homered for Arizona, which has dropped four of five.

## Twins 1, Dodgers 0

At Minneapolis, Scott Bak-

er struck out nine batters while pitching neatly into the eighth inning and Ben Revere had two hits to help Minnesota blank the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Baker (6-5) allowed six hits and walked one in 7 1-3 innings, dropping his ERA to 3.15 as the Twins bounced back from a 15-0 drubbing on Monday night to take two of three in the series.

Rubby De La Rosa (3-3) also was impressive, giving up just one run and six hits in seven innings for Los Angeles.

Revere hit a leadoff triple in the first and scored on Tsuyoshi Nishioka's groundout.

## Padres 4, Royals 1

At San Diego, rookie Anthony Rizzo hit a two-run single and Tim Stauffer won consecutive starts for the first time this year as San Diego completed its first sweep this season.

The Padres scored four unearned runs with two outs in the third inning thanks to third baseman Mike Moustakas' error on a sun ball.

San Diego has won four straight and seven of eight. It went 5-1 against Atlanta and Kansas City for its first winning homestand of 2011. □

# South Carolina repeat as national collage champs

## OMAHA, Nebraska (AP)

— South Carolina won its second straight national championship with a 5-2 victory Tuesday night that completed a two-game sweep over Florida in the College World Series finals. South Carolina (55-14) became the first team to ever post a 10-0 win-loss record in an NCAA tournament and the first since Oregon State in 2007 to go unbeaten in a CWS.

The Gamecocks' streaks of 16 NCAA tournament wins and 11 straight in the CWS are both records.

Peter Mooney doubled to start a three-run third inning in the matchup of South-

eastern Conference rivals and hit the Gamecocks' first home run of the CWS in the sixth.

After giving up four runs in the first inning of their opener against Texas A&M, the Gamecocks allowed just six in their other 50 innings here. They became the sixth team to win consecutive national titles and first since Oregon State in 2006 and 2007.

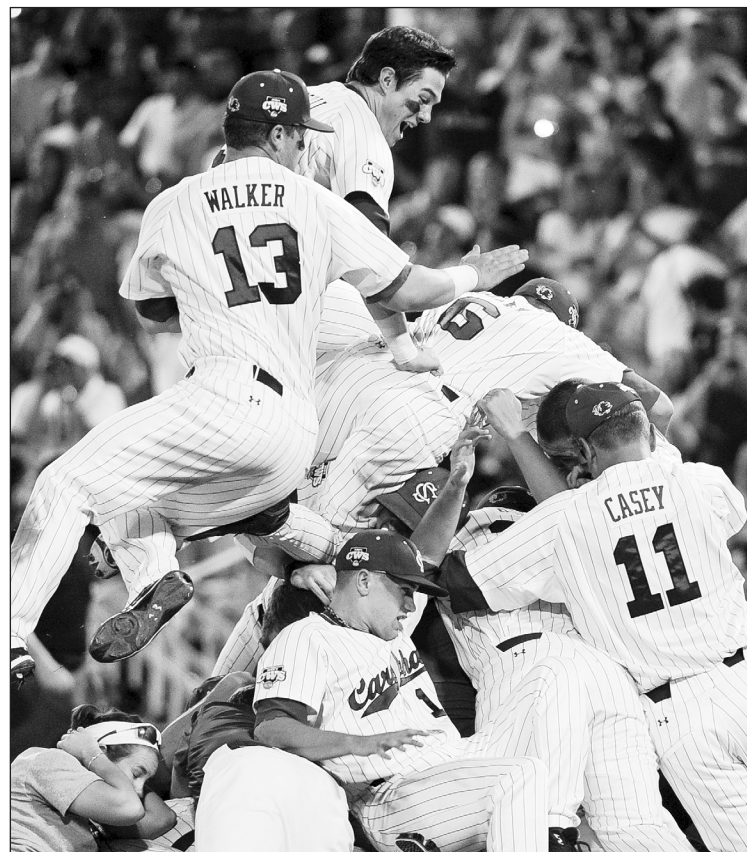
Michael Roth (14-3), who pitched seven innings against Virginia on Friday, gave up five hits and two runs before leaving in the eighth inning Tuesday.

He started last year's national championship game

but didn't get a decision.

Among pitchers who have worked 30 innings at the CWS, Roth's 1.17 ERA over 38 1-3 innings the past two years ranks second all-time behind Ohio State's Steve Arlin, who had a 0.96 ERA over 47 innings in 1965-66. Roth came in with a 0.98 ERA for the season and held Florida without a run after it got leadoff men on base in the fifth, sixth and seventh innings.

Roth left with two outs in the eighth after giving up a double to Mike Zunino, who later scored on Josh Adams' single off John Taylor. Matt Price worked 1 1-3 innings for his 20th save. □



South Carolina players celebrate after beating Florida 5-2 in Game 2 of the NCAA baseball College World Series best-of-three finals, to win the title in Omaha, Neb., Tuesday, June 28, 2011.

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# Lung cancer scans: false alarms amid lives saved

**MARILYNN MARCHIONE**  
**AP Medical Writer**

Full results of a big study that showed some smokers' lives could be saved by screening with lung scans now reveal more clearly what the risks are: There's a good chance of a false alarm. Of those who got the recommended annual scans for three years, 4 out of 10 had a suspicious finding on at least one scan and were advised to have a follow-up test or biopsy. And more than 95 percent of them turned out to have nothing wrong. The results out Wednesday give the first detailed look at the benefits and risks of screening longtime current or former smokers with special X-rays called CT scans. The government stopped the study last fall after seeing the scans were saving lives.

Most insurers don't cover the scans because no major groups currently recommend them.

"No one should rush off and get one of these scans for screening until we've thought more about it," said Dr. Christine Berg of the National Cancer Institute, the study's main sponsor.

But guidance on smok-

er screening is likely to change with the study's results, which may help the nation's 94 million current and former smokers decide whether to be screened.

"The question has changed to how are we going to do this," not whether we should, said Dr. Harold "Hal" Sox, a Dartmouth professor who used to head the government task force that

shapes policy on screening tests. He wrote an editorial with the results, published online Wednesday by the New England Journal of Medicine.

The study tested CT scans versus ordinary chest X-rays in 53,454 people over 55 with more than 30 pack-years of smoking: a pack a day for 30 years or two packs for 15 years. □



**In this photo, Dr. Steven Birnbaum works a CT scanner with a patient at Southern New Hampshire Medical Center in Nashua, N.H. Full results of a big study that showed some smokers' lives could be saved by screening with lung scans now reveal more clearly what the risks are: There's a good chance of a false alarm. Of those who got the recommended annual scans for three years, 4 out of 10 had a suspicious finding on at least one scan and were advised to have a follow-up test or biopsy. And more than 95 percent of them turned out to have nothing wrong. The results out Wednesday, June 29, 2011 give the first detailed look at the benefits and risks of screening longtime current or former smokers with special X-rays called CT scans.**

(AP Photo/Jim Cole, file)

## E. coli outbreak may be traced to Egypt seeds

**ROME (AP)** — European food and disease prevention authorities said Wednesday they are investigating whether the E. coli outbreak in Germany and France may be traced back to fenugreek seeds imported from Egypt either in 2009 or last year.

The European Center for Disease Prevention and Control and the European Food Safety Authority said in a joint report that "there is still much uncertainty about whether this is truly the common cause of all the infections."

The report said "fenugreek seeds imported from Egypt either in 2009 and/or 2010 are implicated in both outbreaks." Fenugreek seeds are commonly used in the preparation of pickles and

curry powders as well as Indian, Ethiopian and Yemeni cuisine.

However, further investigation was necessary, said the report. The death toll in Europe's E. coli outbreak has risen by three to at least 47, according to German authorities. Germany's disease control center said earlier this week that 46 deaths have now been reported in the country. One person has died in Sweden. In France, eight cases have been reported so far. Seven people have been hospitalized in the Bordeaux region and another person was released.

The report said that a 2009 lot of fenugreek seeds appeared to be implicated in the outbreak in France and a 2010 lot in the German

outbreak. But it said this possible link does not explain the case in Sweden, where no consumption of sprouts has been implicated.

Many questions were still unanswered about the source of the E. coli.

A further 119 cases have been reported in a total of 15 other countries. The source has been traced to a vegetable sprout farm in northern Germany.

The World Health Organization said it considers an outbreak in France separate. But it also said that, of the eight French cases, three of them carried the same bacterial strains as in Germany.

The report said the clinical picture of the French cases was similar to that of German cases. □



**A undated handout image showing one of nine new warning labels cigarette makers will have to use by the fall of 2012. In the most significant change to U.S. cigarette packs in 25 years, the FDA's new warning labels depict in graphic detail the negative health effects of tobacco use.**

(U.S. FDA via The New York Times)

## Raise cigarette tax: skip the ugly photos

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Last week, the US Food and Drug Administration presented nine gruesome pictures that will soon cover the top half of cigarette packages. One image shows diseased lungs and teeth; another shows a man exhaling smoke through a hole in his neck. These pictures make smoking less pleasant, just as higher cigarette taxes do. But while the latter generates useful public revenue, these images are essentially revenue-less taxes.

We can tax behavior in lots of ways - with social stigma or painful pictures - but most of the time, the best taxes involve dollars and cents.

For centuries, America passionately debated its indulgences, from demon rum to sugary colas. For public health advocates, the fight against cigarettes is a crusade that demands any step that can reduce smoking. For the ardent libertarian, any compromise on personal freedom is a step towards serfdom.

Yet wise policy rarely emerges intact from the hot flames of moral passion. Wise policy starts with well-justified objectives, and trades costs against benefits.

Paternalism, the view that government can improve adults' lives better by making decisions for them, is a poor rationale for policing pleasures; though people err in their private decisions - me more than most - governments err, too.

A better reason for policing certain pleasures is when they impose external costs on third parties, like the children that Carrie Nation was trying to protect from abusive drunks. Second-hand smoke can be unpleasant. Smokers don't bear all health-care costs. Most importantly, every human is part of a dense social network, where every illness and death causes hardship and pain to friends and relatives. The social costs of self-destructive behavior easily justify some public policy response.

But absolute prohibition is no more practical for tobacco or sugary soda than it was for alcohol, nor is it desirable. Many of us take more than enough pleasure in cabernet and Coca-Cola and cigars to offset the costs, including those borne by third parties. Good policy doesn't ban behavior; it makes people pay for the social costs of their actions. □

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# News Corp sells MySpace for \$35M mostly in stock

**RYAN NAKASHIMA**  
**AP Business Writer**

**LOS ANGELES (AP)** — News Corp. has sold struggling social networking site MySpace for \$35 million, mostly in stock, according to a person familiar with the matter. The deal values MySpace at a fraction of what News Corp. paid for the site six years ago, and paves the way for large scale layoffs and an uncertain future.

The sale to online advertising network operator Specific Media is expected to close later Wednesday, a day before the end of News Corp.'s fiscal year. News Corp. will maintain less than a 5 percent stake in the site, said the person, who was not authorized to speak publicly and spoke on condition of anonymity. About half of MySpace's 500 workers will be laid off, the person said.

News Corp. bought MySpace for \$580 million in 2005, but users, advertisers and musicians who used to rely on it for promotion have fled the site for other hotter social networks like Facebook and Twitter. Less than half of MySpace's 74 million monthly visitors are now in the United States, where its visitor count dropped by half in May to 35 million, according to tracking firm comScore Inc. Specific Media confirmed the acquisition but not the terms of the deal Wednesday.

"There are many synergies between our companies as we are both focused on enhancing digital media experiences by fueling connections with relevance and interest," said Specific Media CEO Tim Vanderhook, in a state-

ment. "We look forward to combining our platforms to drive the next generation of digital innovation."

MySpace CEO Mike Jones, the last member of a three-member executive team appointed to fix the site in April 2009, said in a memo to staff Wednesday that he would help with the transition for two months before departing.

MySpace launched in 2003, founded by entrepreneurs Chris DeWolfe and Tom

Anderson, who is every MySpace user's first friend. It became a hot Internet destination and a key way for little-known musicians to market themselves and interact with their fans.

But MySpace lost its footing over the years as the fun of customizing one's profile began to bore its users and heavy use of banner advertisements slowed the speed at which pages load. Meanwhile, Facebook, founded in 2004,



Guitarist Rohit Kulkarni, with the pop rock band Four O'clock Heroes, points to an advertisement on the bands' MySpace web site page in San Jose, Calif., Wednesday, June 29, 2011.

Associated Press

## TECHNOLOGY BRIEFS

### Brazil leads way in Google takedown

**SAO PAULO (AP)** — Google says that Brazilian government made more content removal requests than any other nation in the second half of last year.

Google says the Brazilian government made 263 requests that content be removed from one of the company's web services. South Korea was second with 139 requests.

Google complied with 76 percent of the Brazilian requests. They covered more than 12,300 items online.

Brazil has led such government requests since Google started making the data available in 2009.

That's mostly because Google's social network site Orkut is popular in Brazil.

National elections last year also influenced Brazil's latest figures. Stringent election laws result in many requests for content removal related to campaigns. □

### Sony names House head of games unit

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Still reeling from a series of high-profile hacker attacks, Sony has named Andrew House as the president and group CEO of its video game unit, Sony Computer Entertainment.

House, who's been heading Sony's games business in Europe, replaces Kazuo Hirai, who will now serve as the chairman of Sony Computer Entertainment. The changes are effective Sept. 1.

Sony Corp. said on Wednesday that Akira Sato, the chairman of its games unit, will retire at the end of August.

House joined Sony in 1990 and was instrumental in launching the first PlayStation video game system. He was later promoted to vice president of marketing at Sony's U.S. video game business. He became head of Sony's European games unit in 2009.

Sony has been trying to recover from a slew of embarrassing hacker attacks since April. In the biggest breach, hackers compromised the security of 100 million credit card-backed accounts on the PlayStation Network. □

limited what users and advertisers could do, but kept pages clean, and freshened them with its "news feed" of updates, a feature that MySpace later copied. People found Facebook easier to use and a great migration from MySpace to Facebook picked up

several years ago. When Facebook began allowing apps, including music functions and addictive games like "FarmVille," MySpace was left in the dust for good. According to comScore, Facebook now has more than a billion users worldwide. □

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# U.S. companies increase spending on stock buybacks

**CANDICE CHOI**

**AP Personal Finance Writer**

**NEW YORK (AP)** — America's biggest corporations are spending more money on stock repurchases to keep investors happy. Standard & Poor's said Wednesday that stock buybacks in the first quarter rose 63 percent to \$89.8 billion. That's up from \$55.3 billion in the year-ago period.

Despite the increase, S&P 500 companies are mainly using stock buybacks to protect the value of the company's shares, said Howard Silverblatt, a senior analyst for S&P. Stock buyback programs indicate companies have enough cash to take their shares off the market. That in turn increases the value of the remaining shares and per-share earnings results.

Stock repurchases increased 4 percent in the first quarter from the previous quarter, according to S&P. But stock prices over that time rose by an

average of 8 percent, indicating that companies snapped up fewer shares even while spending more money on buybacks. That means companies are using buybacks primarily to control employee options and shares used for dividend reinvestment programs, Silverblatt said.

The stockpile of cash companies are sitting on meanwhile continues to grow. S&P companies have set a new record for cash holdings in each of the past 10 quarters. In the first quarter of this year, companies had \$963 billion in cash.

"They've got a ton of cash they're not spending," Silverblatt said. "There's no history of them having so much money sitting on their books."

Buybacks are nevertheless up for the seventh quarter in a row. The number of companies taking part in stock buyback programs has also been increasing as well. In the first quarter, 305 companies repurchased



In this June 23, 2011 photo, a Bank of America booth is shown at the Pacific Coast Builders Conference in San Francisco.

**Associated Press**

their shares. That's up from 270 companies in the previous quarter and 261 com-

panies in the third quarter. The information technology sector continued to

dominate the buyback market, accounting for 23 percent of all buybacks. □

## Toyota to recall 82,200 vehicles in the U.S.

**TOKYO (AP)** — Toyota Motor Corp. said Wednesday it will recall about 82,200 hybrid SUVs in the U.S. due to computer boards with possible faulty wiring.

The car giant said the recall will involve Highlander and Lexus brand hybrid SUVs from its 2006 and 2007 lines. The action covers just the vehicles sold in the U.S., with no other models affected.

The recall is the latest setback for Toyota, which is just recovering from the earthquake and tsunami that devastated parts of Japan in March. The company earlier this month predicted annual profit will fall nearly a third due to recent production disruptions related to the disasters, though it expects a strong rebound in the coming months.

Wednesday's recall involves about 45,500 Highlander Hybrid and 36,700 Lexus Rx 400h vehicles, the company's U.S. subsidiary

said in a press release.

Toyota said the affected vehicles' hybrid system has a computer board with inadequate soldering that could be damaged during high-load driving. If damage were to occur, the company said the vehicles would either continue to operate under reduced power for a short distance, or coast to a stop.

The automaker said it is working on obtaining replacement parts, and for now will notify owners of possibly faulty vehicles by mid-July.

Toyota was recovering from a series of recalls that soiled its reputation for safety and eventually reached 14 million vehicles worldwide when the natural disasters struck in March.

The company said last week it will hire 3,000 to 4,000 temporary workers in Japan to be ready for a recovery in vehicle production as automakers bounce back and revamp their op-



In this Feb. 25, 2007 file photo, 2007 Highlander hybrid sports-utility vehicles sit at a Toyota dealership in the south-east Denver suburb of Centennial, Colo.

**Associated Press**

erations.

Even with a recovery, Toyota is expected to lose its spot as the world's top-selling automaker to General Motors Co. this year because of the disasters.

Japanese automakers are also dealing with possible electricity shortages after the quake and tsunami destroyed a nuclear power plant in northeastern Japan. □

## Amazon to cut off Ca.-based Web affiliates

**SAN FRANCISCO (AP)** — Amazon.com Inc. said Wednesday that it will stop working with online affiliates based in California since the state passed a new rule that forces online retailers to collect sales tax there.

In an email Wednesday to California-based affiliates — individuals or companies who run websites that refer visitors to Amazon and then get a cut of any resulting sales — the Seattle-based company said it would cut ties with those who reside in America's most populous state if the law became effective. Gov. Jerry Brown signed the law Wednesday as part of a larger state budget package.

The rule requires online retailers such as Amazon to collect sales taxes if they have in-state affiliates. In its email, Amazon called the bill "unconstitutional" and "counterproductive." Passage of the law, which

is projected to net \$200 million annually, adds California to a growing list of states that have enacted such legislation in hopes of bringing in more tax revenue.

Billions of dollars are at stake as a growing number of states look for ways to generate more revenue without violating a 1992 U.S. Supreme Court ruling that prohibits a state from forcing businesses to collect sales taxes unless the business has a physical presence, such as a store, in that state. When consumers order from out-of-state retailers, they're supposed to pay the tax that is due, but they rarely do and it's difficult to enforce. States are trying to get around the Supreme Court restriction by passing laws that broaden the definition of a physical presence. Online retailers, meanwhile, are resisting being deputized as tax collectors. □

# NFL lockout already hurting fantasy companies

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Associated Press

**LAS VEGAS (AP)** — The NFL lockout has led Bruce Taylor to take some painful steps: He has scrapped publication of a fantasy football magazine that sold 161,000 copies last year, lay off an employee and take out a home equity loan. Although players and owners are still trying to figure out how to divide \$9.3 billion in revenue and save the regular season, it's already too late for some of those who make their living from the widely popular fantasy football industry. Usually by now, thousands of the estimat-

ed 24 million people who play fantasy football each year have already begun preparing for their leagues of made-up teams, with fortunes resting on real-life individual performances of their favorite NFL stars. But as NFL franchises and players skip offseason workouts and free agents go unsigned amid the labor unrest, companies that depend on fans poring over statistics and incremental personnel moves to form their fantasy teams have had to cope with the reality of lost revenue.

The fantasy football industry brings in about \$800 million



This Aug. 30, 2010 file photo shows Brian Sherman, left, using his laptop to record moves in his team's fantasy football draft, at a Buffalo Wild Wings restaurant in Cincinnati.

Associated Press

a year. While everyone involved hopes that most of that money will still be there

if the NFL resolves its labor dispute, some — including magazines that help fantasy players select their teams — are already declaring 2011 a lost year.

"We'll be lucky if we make one-third of what we make in a normal year," said Taylor, the 46-year-old co-owner of Seattle-based Fantasy Index Magazine, Inc., which is not publishing its Fantasy Football Index magazine for the first time in 25 years.

"It's tough because we've had to lay somebody off — I've got another employee that I should lay off but I don't have the heart. We're a small company," Taylor told The Associated Press. "I try and be philosophical about it because when you hitch your wagon to somebody else's horse, you're going to take your lumps." "It's a lot of money — they should fight over it — but I wish they'd fight over it faster," he said.

About 32 million people in the United States and Canada play fantasy sports each year, a number that has grown 60 percent in the last four years, according to an Ipsos Public Affairs poll commissioned by the FantasySports Trade Association, the industry's largest trade group.

In fantasy sports, participants assemble teams made up of real players and gauge success on how well those players perform

in actual games, sometimes putting money on the line against their opponents. Football is by far the most popular fantasy sport, though players participate in leagues year-round for many sports.

The pastime's popularity has become far more visible recently, with high profile players like Maurice Jones-Drew bragging about drafting themselves, a cable sitcom called "The League" that follows friends playing together, and an entire pregame show on ESPN dedicated to fantasy roster decisions.

Paul Charchian, the trade group's president, said companies aren't as jittery now as they will be in August without a resolution (although the NFL and its players are working this week to come to an agreement). Even now, Charchian says, they are already starting to see lost business.

"It's still June, but normally right now, revenue is already starting for the football season," he said. "Once hockey and basketball end, a lot of people start turning their attention to football."

Charchian said his company, LeagueSafe, which lets fantasy owners pay league fees online, has seen less than half the revenue so far this year than it had collected at the same point last year. □

# Oil rebound weakens effect of supply release

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AP Energy Writer

**NEW YORK (AP)** — An attempt by the U.S. and other non-OPEC governments to sway oil and gasoline prices appears to have petered out in less than a week. Benchmark crude for August delivery gained \$1.88, or 2 percent, to settle at \$94.77 per barrel Wednesday on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Over two days, oil has nearly recovered the loss from last Thursday when the U.S. and other oil-importing countries said they'd dump emergency oil supplies onto the market. Brent crude, which is used to price many international oil varieties, also rebounded. Although at \$112.40 per barrel, it's still about 2 percent below where it was last week.

Motorists anticipating a big discount at the gas pump will likely be disappointed. Gasoline futures recovered the 20 cents per gallon that were lost after the International Energy Agency, which includes the U.S., said it would make 60 million barrels of crude and other fuels available this summer.

Gasoline for July delivery, which jumped 4.2 percent Wednesday to settle at \$3.01 per gallon on the Nymex, is now 3.7 cents more expensive than before IEA's announcement.

Initially after the IEA announcement, analysts were predicting a drop of as much as 25 cents in pump prices. Patrick DeHaan, a senior petroleum analyst at GasBuddy.com, said Wednesday the IEA's move cut no more than 2 to 5 cents off the price of retail gasoline in the last week.

"The rest was negated because of the increase in oil during the last 24 hours," DeHaan said.

The U.S. average gasoline price fell nearly a penny overnight to \$3.543 per gallon (3.8 liters).

Oil has this week as Greek lawmakers prepared for and passed financial reforms that were required for the country to receive the next installment of an international aid package. Without that money, the country risks defaulting on its debts. A bullish report on oil and crude supplies in the



Traffic passes near a Little Rock, Ark., gas station Wednesday, June 29, 2011. Benchmark crude hit \$95.21 per barrel Wednesday on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

Associated Press

U.S. also boosted prices on Wednesday.

"The IEA did move the market, but the lesson is that many other things can move it too," said Cameron Hanover analyst Peter Beutel.

Tom Kloza, publisher and chief oil analyst at Oil Price Information Service, said the decision in Greece eased concerns about a spreading financial crisis in Europe. □

### Mutts



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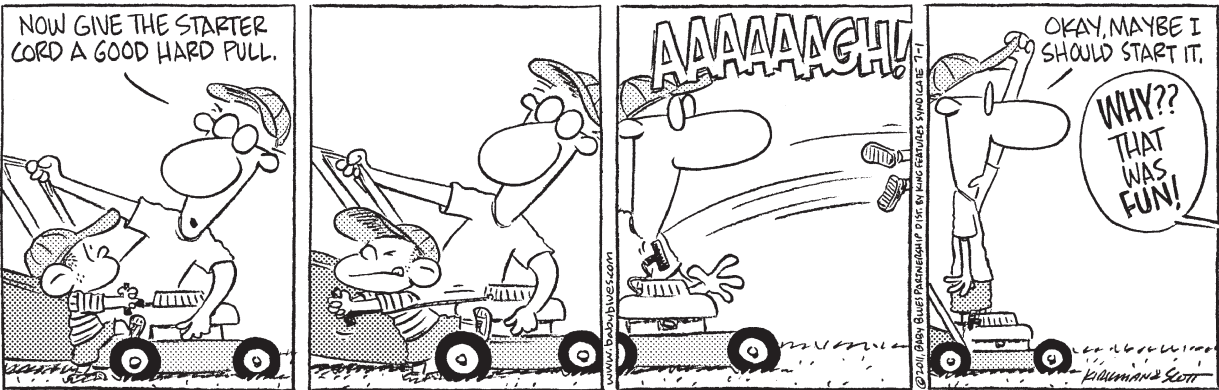
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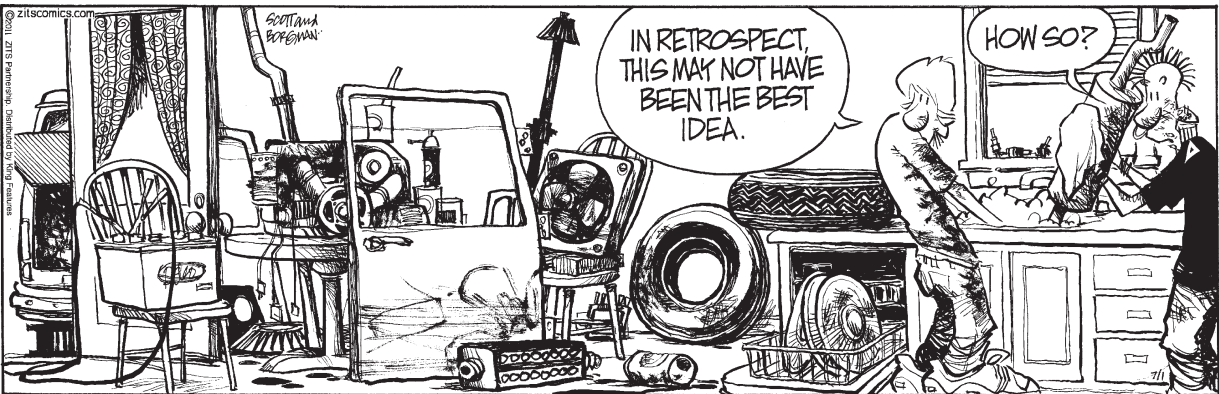
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Difficulty Level ★★★★★

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Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

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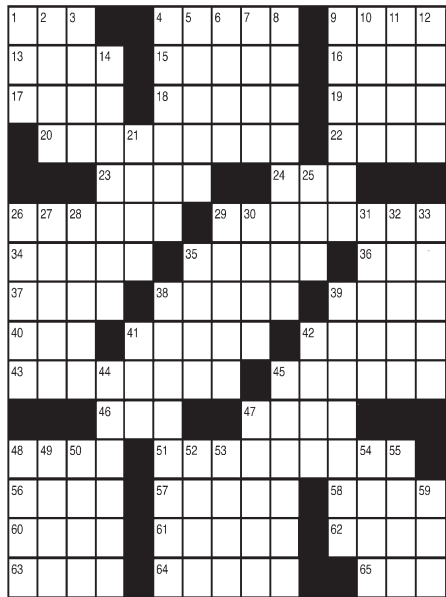
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### ACROSS

- Peanut butter container
- Of the city
- Cut back on one's calories
- Was in the red
- Grand or spinet
- Jealousy
- Calendar period
- Nincompoops
- Small cut
- Playwright
- Bit of land surrounded by water
- Gangsters' guns
- Dusting cloth
- Czech capital
- Revolving
- Very small home
- Burn
- Neither's partner
- Not up yet
- Makes well
- "\_ boy!"; words of encouragement
- Knighted gent
- Polars and grizzlies
- Notions
- Completely
- Diagrams
- Furious
- Yankees or Dodgers
- Swat
- Well-known
- Pocket bread
- Happening
- Lunchtime
- TV's "American \_"
- Sight or taste
- Accept
- Heavy book
- Look of contempt
- Morning grass moisture

### DOWN

- Happiness



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### Thursday's Puzzle Solved

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- Unconcerned
- Unyielding
- Woman's undergarment
- "If \_ a Hammer"
- Pierce through
- Middle
- Not relaxed
- Barbecue rod
- Venetian beach
- Tiny particle
- Level; smooth
- Trait carrier
- Highway
- Pair of oxen
- Just purchased

# Today In History

**Today is Thursday, June 30, the 181st day of 2011. There are 184 days left in the year. Highlights in history on this date:**

**1652** - England declares war on the Dutch.

**1876** - Serbia, under nationalist Jovan Ristich, declares war on Turkey.

**1930** - Britain recognizes independence of Iraq.

**1934** - Night of Long Knives: hundreds of leading Nazis are murdered on Hitler's orders.

**1936** - Margaret Mitchell's epic "Gone with the Wind" is published. It becomes an all-time best seller.

**1950** - U.S. President Harry Truman announces he has ordered U.S. troops stationed in Japan to help Republic of Korea repel North Korean invaders.

**1956** - Leeward Islands Federation is dissolved to enable islands to enter Caribbean Federation.

1960 - The Belgian Congo becomes the independent Republic of the Congo. Civil war soon erupts.

**1964** - United Nations military operations in Congo end.

**1965** - India and Pakistan sign ceasefire.

**1971** - Three Soviet cosmonauts, in space for more than three weeks, are found dead when their Soyuz 11 spacecraft lands. A leak had caused their craft to decompress.

**1976** - U.S. spacecraft's photographs of Mars shows that planet once sustained abundant and rapidly flowing water.

**1989** - Brig. Omar el-Bashir takes power in a bloodless coup in Sudan.

**1990** - Soviet government resumes oil shipments to Lithuania one day after that republic's parliament agrees to suspend declaration of independence.

**1991** - Two top leaders of Algeria's rebellious fundamentalists are arrested, and clashes between their followers and Algerian security forces leave at least one dead.

**1992** - Fidel Ramos is sworn in as Philippine president.

**1993** - A federal judge blocks the North American Free Trade agreement with

Mexico and Canada until the Clinton administration details its likely effects on the environment.

**1994** - The U.S. Figure Skating Association strips Tonya Harding of the 1994 national championship and bans her from the organization for life for her involvement in the attack on rival Nancy Kerrigan.

**1995** - The Bosnian government says it will no longer deal with the top U.N. envoy to Yugoslavia,



**Today is Vincent D'Onofrio's birthday**

saying they consider him nonexistent.

**1997** - Hong Kong is transferred to China in an eight-hour farewell ceremony after 156 years of British rule.

**1998** - An American F-16 fires on an Iraqi missile site that had threatened British warplanes, a jolt to U.S.-Iraq relations after several months of relative calm.

**2000** - Fans rush the stage during a concert at one of Europe's largest rock festivals in Denmark, crushing nine people to death. The Roskilde festival, first held in 1971, was inspired by the 1969 Woodstock Festival in New York.

**2001** - Congo ends a more than two-decade break in top-level relations with its old colonial ruler by welcoming Belgian Prime Minister Guy Verhofstadt into the country.

**2002** - The U.S. vetoes a U.N. Security Council resolution extending the peacekeeping mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina by six months, citing U.S. concerns over the establishment of an International Criminal

Court.

**2005** - Spain's parliament legalizes gay marriage, dismissing vehement opposition from conservatives and clergy to make the traditionally Roman Catholic nation the third in the world to grant recognition and rights to same-sex couples, including adoption of children.

**2006** - A doping scandal knocks top Tour de France riders out of the race, throwing the world's most glamorous cycling event into chaos.

**2007** - Two men ram a flaming Jeep Cherokee into the main terminal of Scotland's Glasgow airport, crashing into the glass entrance doors in the third attempted terror attack on Britain in two days.

**2008** — U.S. President George W. Bush signs legislation to pay for the war operations in Iraq and Afghanistan for the rest of his presidency and beyond, hailing the \$162 billion plan as a rare product of bipartisan cooperation.

**2009** - A Yemeni Airbus 310 jetliner carrying 153 people crashes in the Indian Ocean as it comes in for a landing during howling winds on the island nation of Comoros. Yemeni officials say a teenage girl survives.

**2010** — Cypriot police begin searching for an alleged Russian spy wanted in the United States who vanished after being released on bail a day earlier in the Mediterranean island nation.

## Today's Birthdays:

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## Entertainment Briefs

### Essence festival returns to New Orleans

**NEW ORLEANS (AP)** — In 1995, Essence Communications Inc. celebrated its magazine's 25th anniversary with a party in New Orleans. Thousands showed up to applaud the magazine and the best of black musical talent and culture. Seventeen years later that experience — proposed as a one-time "party with a purpose" — has morphed into the Essence Music Festival. It's an annual pilgrimage for some, a reunion for others and a strong economic engine for a tourist-driven city still rebounding from devastating hurricanes and last year's BP oil spill. The event begins Friday with free events inside the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center and concerts, held through Sunday, at the Louisiana Superdome. This year's headliners include Usher, Mary J. Blige, Jennifer Hudson, Chaka Khan, Fantasia, Kanye West, Jill Scott and New Edition. □

### Vaccarello wins French fashion award

**PARIS (AP)** — A panel of fashion industry heavyweights has awarded France's ANDAM prize to young Italo-Belgian designer Anthony Vaccarello. Vaccarello unveiled his first collection in 2009, and his lacy cocktail dresses have since generated significant buzz. French Vogue, whose influential editor-in-chief Emmanuelle Alt was on the ANDAM jury, promoted Vaccarello in a recent exhibit of emerging talent. Other jury members included British fashion critic Hilary Alexander and Nicole Phelps of Style.com.

Wednesday's award includes a €200,000 (\$290,000) prize. The National Association for the Development of the Arts of Fashion's prize is in its 22nd edition. Past laureates include Martin Margiela, Gareth Pugh and Viktor & Rolf. Yiqin Yin, a French-Australian of Chinese origin, won second prize. □

### McDonald to star in 'Porgy and Bess'

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Audra McDonald, Norm Lewis and David Alan Grier are slated to star in a revamped version of the Gershwin classic "Porgy and Bess" on Broadway. Producers announced Wednesday that the show will begin previews on Dec. 17 at The Richard Rodgers Theatre and officially open on Jan. 12 following a pre-Broadway run at the American Repertory Theatre. Originally an opera, it has been reimagined by A.R.T.'s artistic director, Diane Paulus, and features a reworked book by the Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright Suzan-Lori Parks and new arrangements by Diedre Murray. The musical looks at life in the fictitious Catfish Row in the early 1920s. It boasts such songs as "Summertime," "Bess, You Is My Woman Now," "I Got Plenty o' Nothin'" and "It Ain't Necessarily So." □

### 'The Voice' gives voice to gay singers

**NEW YORK (AP)** — NBC's hit show "The Voice" is giving a voice to gay singers. The singing competition wraps its first season this week with four contestants battling for the championship. Two of those finalists are gay. Other TV talent shows such as "American Idol" and "America's Got Talent" have featured gay performers but not in an open way. For example, Adam Lambert, who won second place on "American Idol" in 2009, did not address his sexuality until after the competition ended. He has had success as an openly gay performer, earning a Grammy nomination, a gold-selling CD and a pair of Top 40 hits.

The presence of gay singers on "The Voice," however, is fresh for prime time TV, and the singers are making a splash at a time when New York State has legalized gay marriage. "It couldn't have come at a better time, could it?" said Beverly McClellan, a 41-year-old gravelly voiced singer from Virginia and Fort Lauderdale, Florida, whose partner has appeared backstage on the show with her. □

## Saint Martins' fashion grads can connect the dots

By SYLVIA HUI

Associated Press

**LONDON (AP)** — A shabby community sports hall doesn't seem like the place for London's fashion elite to gather for a show by a bunch of 22-year-olds. But these aren't just any kids — and the host isn't your basic local college. It's the slick and professional annual presentation for bachelor's degree students at Central Saint Mar-

month in their final-project collections are unknown students, there's an impressive lineup off the catwalk eager to cheer them on. Kane, Britain's hottest young designer, is on the judging panel. Seated among the audience of proud parents and school friends is Burton, creative director of the house of McQueen and designer of Kate Middleton's wedding dress. They're joined

don from outside Baltimore, won the first runner-up prize later in the night with his sharply tailored, 80's-inspired feminine styles.

Although it's best known as a fashion school (originally called just Saint Martins and founded in 1854) the London college has been home to a range of courses, including drama and music, since it merged with the Central School of Arts and Crafts in 1989.

The school has an impressive list of alumni: actor Colin Firth, painter Lucian Freud, film director Mike Leigh and Sex Pistols bass player Glen Matlock to name a few.

The famous names not only burnish the college's reputation but are key to its continued success.

In fashion, more than the other streams, Saint Martins graduates are everywhere at the highest level of the industry, including numerous others who work behind the scenes for some of the world's most storied ateliers: Christian Dior, Chloe and Marc Jacobs among them. The school's prestigious alumni can offer to fresh graduates what few others can — a paycheck once they complete their studies for one. The opportunities are a powerful magnet for the brightest, most ambitious young designers around the world.

That, in turn, attracts sponsorship for shows and student projects that feed the school's reputation. This year's undergraduate fashion show, for example, looked so glossy partly because it received sponsorship from beauty mega-brand L'Oreal.

In an industry where you can live off your looks and connections for quite a while, that gives Saint Martins an extra edge.

Many students gain a real feel of the fashion business long before they leave school, which may explain why they appear so mature and self-possessed for their tender age. Burton, who graduated from the college in 1998, interned with McQueen while at the school.

Her tutor at the time "gave you this brilliant attitude of 'just get on with it'," Burton told reporters at the school's annual show. □



This photo shows models as they display designs by the winner of the L'Oreal Professional Young Designer Award, Flaminia Sacucci, during the Central Saint Martins fashion school BA show in London. A fashion show displaying creations by 22-year-olds at a shabby old community sports hall doesn't sound like the kind of place London's glamorous fashion elite would gather. But these aren't any old kids, and the host not your local college. It's Central Saint Martins, widely known as one of the best fashion schools in the world, the launch pad of such names as Alexander McQueen and John Galliano.

(AP Photo/Joel Ryan)

tins, one of the world's best fashion schools.

Few fashion schools can claim the network of support that Saint Martins enjoys. It was the launch pad of Alexander McQueen, Sarah Burton, John Galliano, Christopher Kane and Stella McCartney, and it's those connections that help nurture future stars. While the 40 designers dressing models backstage last

by executives from fashion giants Lanvin and H&M, not to mention the best of the industry press.

As the seats fill up there's a buzz of excitement and anticipation, but the pressure seems to energize, not faze, the students.

"I always feel confident about my clothes," said Nicholas Aburn, 22, moments before the show. Aburn, who came to Lon-

## Lohan released from house arrest after 35 days

**ANTHONY McCARTNEY**  
**AP Entertainment Writer**  
**LOS ANGELES (AP)** — Lindsay Lohan was freed from house arrest Wednesday morning, ending a drama-filled 35 days and opening the next chapter in the troubled starlet's efforts to put her court troubles behind her.

Sheriff's spokesman Steve Whitmore said Lohan's electronic monitoring equipment was removed shortly before 10 a.m. and she was removed from the jail system around 10:20 a.m.

Lohan is not entirely free. She still has to complete 480 hours of community service, complete an anti-shoplifting class and comply with other terms of her release.

Her spokesman, Steve Honig, said Lohan is "very focused" on resuming her community service, which is being performed at a downtown Los Angeles women's shelter and will also require her to work at the county's morgue.

Lohan, 24, was sentenced to four months in jail in May for violating her probation in a 2007 drunken driving case by taking a necklace from a jewelry store without permission earlier this year. She pleaded no contest to the theft and received no additional penalties, but will remain on probation for several more months.

Lohan's shorter confinement was the result of jail

overcrowding in Los Angeles' only women's jail and mandatory credits, but it was not without drama. Just days into her captivity, authorities were summoned to Lohan's home in the beachside community of Venice because her monitoring equipment reported her out of the area. The equipment had to be replaced because

Sautner determined after reviewing Lohan's case file that the actress was no longer required to undergo random drug tests and that she had not been ordered by a previous judge to abstain from alcohol. Sautner did order the actress to stop hosting parties while serving house, telling her at one point, "Don't give people a reason to



**Lindsay Lohan leaves following a probation hearing at LAX Courthouse in Los Angeles. Lohan was freed from house arrest Wednesday, ending a drama-filled 35 days and opening the next chapter in the troubled starlet's efforts to put her court troubles behind her.**

(AP Photo/Chris Pizzello)

of a faulty battery in the actress' ankle monitor, and after officials learned that a houseguest had spilled a drink on another piece of monitoring equipment. Lohan was summoned to court last week after probation officials told a judge the actress had tested positive for alcohol. Superior Court Judge Stephanie

hate you." Lohan has struggled to put a pair of 2007 drunken driving and drug arrests behind her. She was jailed twice and sent to rehab twice last year for failing to comply with the terms of her probation. She was accused of the necklace theft roughly three weeks after her release from rehab. □



**Models wait to participate in an audition for the Lakme Fashion Week in Mumbai, India. The event is scheduled to be held August 16 to 21 in Mumbai.**

(AP Photo/Rajanish Kakade)



**British actress, Rosie Huntington Whiteley, arrives for the UK Premiere of 'Transformers: Dark of the Moon.'**

(AP Photo/Jonathan Short)

## 'Transformers' drop to No. 3

**LOS ANGELES (AP)** — The giant "Transformers" robots have shrunk a bit in the early going at the box office. Distributor Paramount Pictures says "Transformers: Dark of the Moon" launched with \$13.5 million domestically in screenings Tuesday night and Wednesday morning. That's less than the \$16.6 million that the second of the three "Transformers" flicks, "Revenge of the Fallen," took in from midnight screenings alone two years ago. "Revenge of the Fallen" went on to top \$400 million domestically and \$800 million worldwide.

"Dark of the Moon" pulled in \$5.5 million from screenings that started at 9 p.m. or later Tuesday at about 2,700 theaters. The movie added \$8 million at about 3,000 cinemas in post-midnight showings overnight.

The comparison to "Revenge of the Fallen" is worse considering that 70 percent of revenues for "Dark of the Moon" came from 3-D screenings, which cost a few dollars more than 2-D showings. That means even fewer tickets sold than for early screenings of "Revenge of the Fallen," which played only in 2-D.

Still, "Dark of the Moon" is expected to do huge business the rest of the week and over the Fourth of July weekend, one of the year's busiest times at theaters. Paramount has expanded the movie domestically to about 4,000 theaters. □



# Utopia on the Hudson



MAUREEN DOWD

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"So, Governor," I asked, "are you afraid you're going to hell?"

Andrew Cuomo, inculcated at Immaculate Conception grade school, Archbishop Molloy High School and Fordham University, chuckled. "There are forms of hell, Maureen," he answered. "The question is, which level?"

He's his father's son, all right. "It's troubling for me as a Catholic to be at odds with the church," he began, before dissolving into a laugh. "Having said that, it seems that my entire political life, the tension with the church has come up again and again." Just as his father seized a social issue and established himself in opposition to the church with his Notre Dame speech on abortion, now the son has seized a social issue and established himself in opposition to the church with gay marriage.

Is it genetic, I wonder.

"I have a portrait of St. Thomas More in my office," the governor said, calling from the Statehouse in Albany. It is a picture Mario Cuomo once kept in his office. He gave it to Andrew as a present when he graduated from Albany Law School, and the younger Cuomo has kept it with him for 30 years as he has moved from job to job and city to city. "It's not the first time there is a tension between the teachings of the church and the administration of the law, for my father and for myself." Dryly, he adds: "I haven't lost my head yet."

Far from it. The New York governor says he still goes to church with his three teenage daughters. He received Communion at his inaugural day Mass, but mostly abstains. He has managed to stay on good terms with New York's pugnacious archbishop, Timothy Dolan, who waged a relatively muted battle against gay marriage that Cuomo calls "reasonable."

When I asked if the archbishop would preside over the ceremony if the governor decided to tie the knot with the Food Network glamour girl Sandra Lee, Cuomo says it couldn't happen "because I'm divorced."

Cuomo, 53, shrugs off the shrill

complaint of Vatican adviser Edward Peters that he's living in "public concubinage" with his girlfriend in their Westchester home.

"He was a blogger, not from my state," Cuomo said of Peters. "I didn't want to give it too much credibility."

As for whether Lee was hurt by the crude, medieval-sounding term, he conceded, "It was not a pleasant conversation for anyone."

Back when he was a young strategist for his dad, Andrew Cuomo attracted adjectives like arrogant, ruthless, intimidating and manipulative.

These days, having risen from the painful ashes of a failed gubernatorial run in 2002 and a marriage to Kerry Kennedy that ended in divorce in 2003 — a time when those close to him worried that he had lost his way — he seems remarkably Zen. "That which doesn't kill us makes us stronger," the 53-year-old murmurs about the nightmare years.

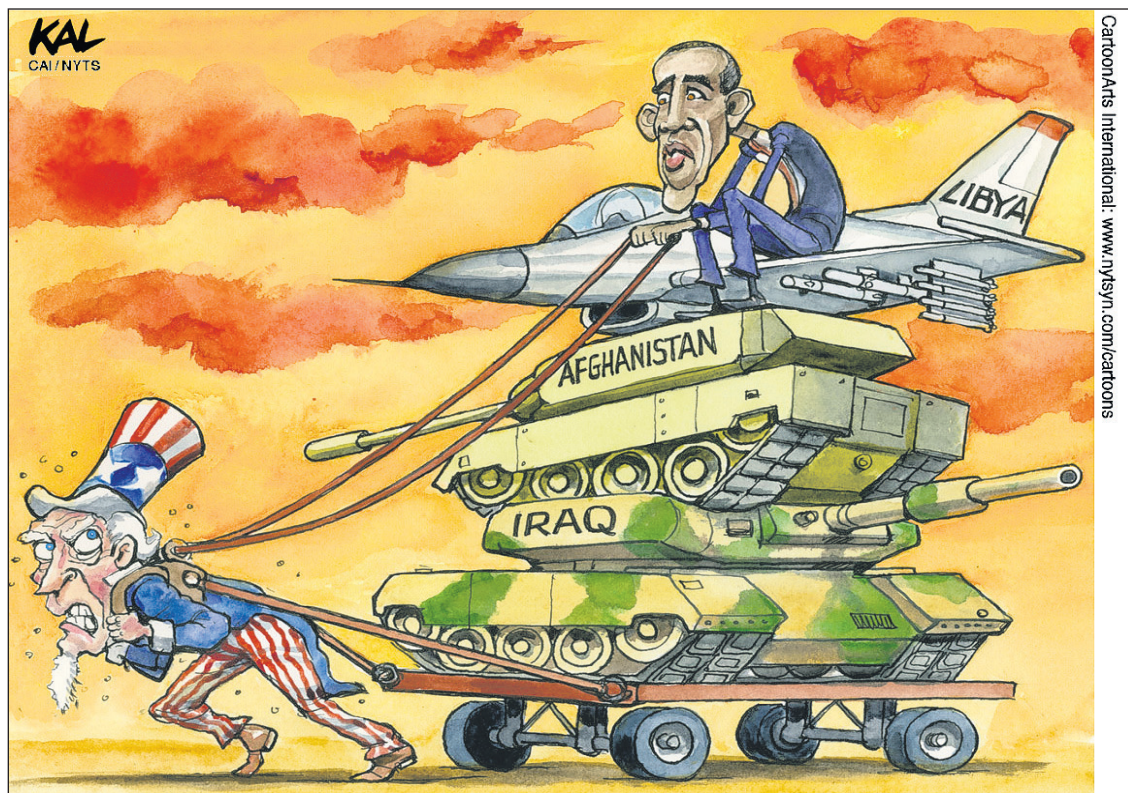
Mario Cuomo told me that Andrew said to him in that period of despond, "'I guess I'm through with politics. What do you think, Pop?' I told him if you can get up off the canvas after two really hard shots, we're all with you and now you've got something else — the experience of being on the canvas."

"We love him, that's easy. But admiring him, too, that's unusual." Andrew Cuomo is still a master schemer and relentless phoner. "I don't hang up until you say yes," he says. But he has also studied his predecessors' flaws and talents and added a healthy dose of Rockefeller wining-and-dining to his portfolio.

Having debuted with a flawless six months as a social liberal and a fiscal conservative (he passed an austere budget with a property tax cap and no tax increases), Cuomo seems happy. His dad calls his accomplishment "unique," saying he has done more faster than anyone he's watched in Albany, including himself, to break down partisan barriers and move things forward. Andrew calls himself "an aggressive progressive" and thinks liberals have to reorient themselves toward a government with goals and effective service, rather than big government.

Those who have followed Cuomo's career for decades do not think he took on the same-sex marriage issue out of the goodness of his heart. They think he saw how he could get a strategic win with little downside.

But like Ted Olson when he fought Proposition 8 in court in California, Cuomo seems genuinely moved by the reaction. He says that at many points "I did not think we were going to win," which explains why he



signed it so quickly just before the clock struck midnight Friday "with the ink still wet."

At Sunday's gay pride parade in Manhattan, the guy who was once the cold insider blossomed into the cherished hero. "I have never been in anything like that in my life, period," he said. "Not when I worked with Clinton. Not with my father. In my 30 years in government, I never felt what I felt in that parade. Just the difference we made in people's lives, how we touched people and made them feel good about society. It was really magic." "A father, maybe 60 years old, came up to me and said, 'You know, I have a gay son, and I never really accepted him and I shouldn't have needed you to tell me that it was OK to accept my own boy. But I did.'" For the moment, and it may only be a moment given all the thorny issues he has coming up, he is in that imaginary place his idol Sir Thomas More invented: utopia.

He wanted to prove government could work and the two parties could trust each other, and he has — avoiding his father's mistake of being too highhanded with lawmakers. He wanted to transform a dysfunctional Albany from a joke, after the shenanigans of Eliot Spitzer and David Paterson, to a respected place where young people once more aspired to work, and he has.

"For a moment in time, you had people in this state capital who really heard their better angels and responded," he said. "Government here has a renewed bounce in its step." The governor says he sold the marriage-equality bill as a matter of conscience and didn't try to buy off any recalcitrant lawmakers with promises about roads or bridges.

He said Sen. Roy McDonald, a Republican who grew up in public housing and represents a somewhat conservative district in the Albany area, told him that he wanted to vote

for the bill because "it's the right thing. I believe my God is a God of love and acceptance."

When Republican donors were brought in to assuage skittish Republican legislators, Cuomo said, "It wasn't really about the money. It was to say the Republican Party in this state has always been a moderate Republican Party, a Rockefeller party."

If a politician's character is defined by what he chooses to put himself on the line for, then Cuomo has shown character. I asked him if President Barack Obama had missed the moment when he stuck to his position at a Democratic fundraiser for the gay community in Manhattan that states should decide the issue.

"No, there will be other moments," he said diplomatically. "The president comes to New York and they ask him that question. That question didn't exist a year ago. There's been an amazingly rapid evolution on this."

But, for many gays, Cuomo is now the civil rights leader among elected officials, a role Obama should have proudly held. Cuomo, who now has a huge and excited base of millions of volunteers, activists and donors across the country, can press a button and raise millions.

And that, of course, has led to talk of 2016, when he could face his neighbor Chris Christie, who says he is not a fan of the gay marriage legislation, and even Michele Bachmann, who reacted to the joy in New York by saying she wants a constitutional amendment protecting marriage.

"If I'm breathing in 2016, I'll be happy," said the man who learned the value of humility. He says he does not tease his father about the fact that his poll numbers are now higher. "Some things you don't kid about and that's one of them," he says.

They talk at least once a day,

and he says he values his father's advice on any issue the "always rational" Mario chooses to weigh in on.

It is a stark contrast to the Bush 43, who was still afraid of his dad's shadow as president and avoided talking issues with 41.

By contrast, 56 says of 52: "I ask him everything. When you work together as intensely as we did, either you're very, very close, binary, or it destroys the relationship. He's so smart, so informed, such a gift to me. I understand him more and more. He said he believes that a big part of his job is "leadership on the social, moral and legal issues of the day" because "that's the model of leadership that I was exposed to as a boy."

"My father was against the death penalty, and that was hard in the 'Son of Sam' summer when fear was driving the desire for the death penalty. You can see a line of continuity from the death penalty to choice to marriage equality. You could argue there's a 30-year span of the pressing social, moral and legal issues of the day."

I ask him if it bothers him that he lives with a Food Network star but often keeps a 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. schedule at work that causes him to miss out on his girlfriend's famous "semi-homemade" meals at home. (His mom's criticism of her lasagna is another thing you don't kid about.)

"The first six months were a sprint, but I make time for my private life," he says. "My personal life is all good. The kids are good. Sandy's good."

So how does the Workaholic on the Hudson relax?

"I'm a Queens boy at the end of the day," he said. "I go fishing. I ride my motorcycle. I work on my cars. I spend time at home. I try to amuse my daughters, although teenagers do not have all that much use for a slightly controlling father." □

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